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By BILL MARDO

Daily Worker Sports Editor

SANFORD, Fla., March 4.—“Well, this is it,” murmured Jackie Robinson as he and pitcher John Wright stepped onto the sunbaked Sanford ballpark today and became the first two Negroes to crack modern organized baseball’s Jimcrow.

It all happened quite simply—just as democracy itself is a simple thing when allowed to function freely. There’s a long way to go before Jimcrow is wiped out of America’s National Pastime, but today’s beginning was a good one to see.

The Montreal and St. Paul minor league squads were already limbering up on the field when Robinson and Wright trod onto the diamond at 9:30 this morning, garbed in the fresh grey uniforms of the Montreal Royals.

Clyde Sukeforth, a Southerner and one of Branch Rickey’s top-notch scouts, walked over to the Negro players, shook hands heartily and immediately put them at ease.

“If there’s anything you need, why, just ask for it,” drawled the friendly ex-big league catcher. He leaned over, inspected John Wright’s sweatshirt and said: “I’ll have to get you a heavier one; you can’t perspire enough in something that thin.” Wright, a good-looking, slender six-footer, grinned back: “This shirt was about the best I could get.”

At that moment, the Montreal players, who were running around the field, passed by the group, and a big blond kid yelled out:

“Hiyah, Jackie,” and the husky Robinson whirled around,

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By MILTON HOWARD



# Vets Battle Realty Lobby To Rescue Housing Bill

WASHINGTON, March 4 (UP).—The House tonight rejected 161 to 92, a Patman housing bill provision for \$600,000,000 in construction materials' subsidies despite a plea by President Truman that it was vital to the administration's housing program.

WASHINGTON, March 4 (UP).—A delegation of some 150 veterans representing six veterans' organizations toured the halls of Congress today, buttonholing House members to urge their support of the Patman Housing bill. The Veterans for Foreign Wars mean-while telegraphed all House members saying that it "endorsed, the Wyatt housing proposal for veterans, including premium payments and price ceilings."

The CIO's housing committee, in a statement signed by Chairman R. J. Thomas, president of the United Automobile Workers, said that if the bill is defeated, Congress will have succumbed "to the dictates of a handful of lobbyists for the corporate interests which oppose this program."

"We hope there are enough men in Congress to withstand the pressure and the threats and come out fighting for the Patman Bill," it said.

## PROGRAM IN DANGER

Speaker Sam Rayburn announced after the regular weekly meeting between Mr. Truman and his legislative leaders that "the President is very much interested in getting a real housing bill."

Housing' Expediter Wilson W. Wyatt, Economic Stabilizer Chester Bowles, Civilian Production Chief John D. Small and Democratic National Chairman Robert E. Hannegan all have warned that the program to build 2,700,000 new homes for veterans by 1948 will be wrecked unless Congress passes the Patman Bill.

The House started on its second week of debate on the measure today—with even its staunchest supporters gloomy about its prospects. It is opposed by a strong coalition of Republicans and Southern Democrats which already has succeeded in knocking out a provision to place price ceilings on existing homes.

The chamber tentatively adopted an amendment which would continue existing authority for Government-controlled allocation of construction materials to areas where home construction is essential. It rejected a proposal to provide such allocation for essential commercial construction.

## HIGHEST LOBBY

Rayburn said Mr. Truman wants passage of the bill and inclusion of

the "so-called Wyatt amendments." These would establish price ceilings on old homes and provide subsidies or "premium payments" to step up the output of scarce building materials.

Charges by Wyatt, Bowles and Hannegan that "one of the biggest lobbies in history" is working on Congress to vote down the plan drew sharp rejoinders from two industry groups, but won support from veterans' organizations and the CIO's housing committee.

The National Association of Real Estate Boards asserted that the program was devised by "armchair carpenters."

The National Retail Lumber Dealers Association, in a telegram signed by Secretary-Manager H. R. Northrup, charged that the official statements were "irresponsible." It protested that provisions for production subsidies were an effort to "relieve OPA of its responsibility to grant . . . reasonable price adjustments."

# UAW Offers Election On Terms to End Strike

DETROIT, March 4 (UP).—The CIO Auto Workers Union announced tonight it would poll its 175,000 General Motors strikers, as the corporation had requested, on a return to work, if the corporation would agree to abide by results of the vote.

The latest UAW move to end the 104-day walkout came at a negotiating session presided over by Federal Labor Mediator James F. Dewey. The union said it was willing to hold a secret ballot of the strikers' choice of two alternatives to end the strike:

1. A return to work on the basis of GM's latest contract terms with other unions, including an 18½-cent-an-hour wage increase, and a dues check-off in lieu of the union's demands for maintenance of membership.

2. A return to work on the basis of the company's terms, with all undecided issues to be submitted to arbitration.

The offer was made in a letter signed by R. J. Thomas, UAW international president; Walter P. Reuther, UAW-GM division director, and George F. Addes, UAD secretary-treasurer.

The negotiating session was promptly adjourned until 2:30 p.m. tomorrow to give the corporation "an opportunity to study the union

proposal and prepare its answer," Dewey said.

The offer was submitted as a formal reply to the corporation's proposal yesterday that the strikers be given an opportunity to vote on returning to work at the corporation's terms.

# British Shoot Starving Indians

BOMBAY, March 4 (UP).—Police fired on Indians storming a rationing office in southern India yesterday wounding six persons.

The Indian government announced officially famine conditions are spreading swiftly across 11 districts.

The food riots occurred at the holy Hindu City of Conjeevaram, 42 miles southwest of Madras. Some persons raided a cooperative store and removed bags of rice while others attacked the rationing office.

Primary school teachers in Bombay province walked out for a wage increase to 30 rupees (\$10) a month from the present 15 to 20 rupees.

It was reported military authorities are considering trying strike leaders by courts martial.

# Byrnes Eggs On Iranian Envoy Against Soviets

Secretary of State James F. Byrnes horned into the Soviet-Iranian negotiations yesterday by assuring the Iranian ambassador in Washington that the United States would protest against the Soviet Union if the current Moscow negotiations fail.

This gave notice to the Iranian premier, Ahmed Ghavam, that he could count on American support if he declines to come to terms with the USSR. Ghavam met with Stalin and Molotov yesterday.

The unusual American diplomatic action of prejudicing negotiations between two other countries came about in an even more unusual way.

The Iranian ambassador in Washington, Hussein Ala, admitted that he had no instructions from his government, but nevertheless met with Mr. Byrnes yesterday morning to inquire under what conditions the United States would protest to the USSR.

Ala later reported that Mr. Byrnes assured Iran's reactionary central government of support if Premier Ghavam's negotiations fail, and if Iran itself initiates the protest action.

Hussein Ala was so cocky about this support from the United States that he told a press conference later that his own premier would certainly be turned out of office if he did not bring back a satisfactory result from the Moscow negotiations.

In other words, if Ghavam reaches an agreement with the USSR the reactionary parliament in Teheran will throw him out; if the agreement is not reached, the Iranian reactionaries know they can count on American support.

Meanwhile, the official Foreign Office announced an official query to the Soviet Union on why its troops are staying in the northwestern province of Azerbaijan. The USSR had declared last Friday that troops withdrawals were taking place, except for Azerbaijan where the situation is still to be clarified.

In Teheran, the democratic Tudeh Party demonstrated outside of the Mejlis (Iranian parliament) demanding that it be dissolved when it term expires on March 12. Reactionary Iranian circles wish to prolong the parliament beyond its constitutional term and use it as an anti-Soviet forum.

# Modified Draft Bill Introduced

WASHINGTON, March 4 (UP).—A bill to extend the draft six months beyond its present expiration date of May 15, but to limit inductees to physically fit men between 21 and 25, was introduced today by Chairman Andrew J. May (D-Ky) of the House Military Committee.

The proposal would rob selective service of its greatest manpower pool—the 18-year-olds. Men from 18 through 25 now are subject to call.

May's bill would ban the drafting of fathers without their consent. Fathers, however, are not now being called up.

Despite a record number of enlistments, the Army has been calling for 50,000 men monthly through selective service, and has asked for an additional 75,000 in April to be obtained by physical standards. The Navy is asking for 1,000 a month.

Selective service has been unable to meet the Army's requirements, and is getting only around 37,000 a month.

# Chi. Teacher Loses Appeal

WASHINGTON, March 4 (UP).—The Supreme Court today refused to review the discharge of a Chicago schoolteacher who lost her job because of un-American statements made in the classroom the day after Pearl Harbor.

The case involved Mrs. Rose K. Joyce, former history teacher at Hyde Park High School. She was relieved of her duties Feb. 28, 1942.

[In New York, however, the Board of Education Friday sent May Quinn back to the classroom after a perfunctory penalty for "negligence." Miss Quinn admitted using sections of an anti-Semitic leaflet in a civics class.]

# Browder's Propaganda for U. S. Imperialism

By MILTON HOWARD

A reading of Earl Browder's latest propaganda, his "Distributor's Guide," leaves no doubt that he has rapidly developed his anti-working class views into an open defense of American imperialist aggression.

Browder's fundamental thesis is that American imperialism is progressive, that its accumulation of capital, its very strength and power, compel it to act as a progressive force.

This is so, according to Browder, because Wall Street monopoly's hunt for markets (for goods and for capital investment) collides with the obsolete colonial system of the British Empire.

Here is how he puts it in his own words:

"What seems to be shaping up is a new pattern of imperialism on the part of America. . . . Anti-colonialism is a characteristic feature of America's new 'pattern of Empire' . . ."

## INDIA

As an example of America's progressive imperialist role in the world today, Browder cites India:

"United States policy toward India, and toward the colonies generally, is more and more definitely, and energetically toward gaining for them the status of political independence—both as a means of removing British monopoly control without war, or at least with the Indians doing the necessary fighting, and further, as a means of expanding the Indian market potential."

Here then is the Browder view in all its nakedness.

The rivalry between Britain and the U. S. is painted as a rivalry not only between a weakened British and a strengthened American imperialism, but also as a rivalry between a reactionary and a progressive imperialism.

This is the special way that Browder is today serving the reactionary, aggressive aims of Wall Street monopoly.

His theory flows Marxist-Leninist theory, and flies in the face of actual Wall Street practice.

## U. S. AIMS REACTIONARY

It is very true that imperialist rivalries are sharp between British and American imperialism, that the latter seeks to penetrate

into the vast areas controlled by Britain.

But U. S. imperialism does not seek to change the social conditions in these colonial areas in any basic way whatsoever.

On the contrary, it seeks to penetrate the British Empire with a minimum of encouragement to the progressive forces, since these progressive, national forces must be anti-imperialist.

That the progressive national forces, whether they be in India or in Latin America, can and should take advantage of the Anglo-American rivalries is, of course, quite clear.

## USING THE DIFFERENCES

But Browder urges the colonial peoples and the American working class to utilize the differences between Britain and the U. S. in a slavish way, by linking themselves submissively to the "better" imperialism, that is to say his own.

The Marxist-Leninist way of utilizing these imperialist differences is exactly the opposite. It is the way of combatting both the older, "obsolete" tyranny of the British and newer, more subtle,

financial penetration of the United States which in its social consequences is no less stifling than the older colonial system.

This is, in fact, just the way that the Communist movements in Latin America are combatting Wall Street's effort to jimmy into Britain's preserves with "anti-fascist" weapons.

American imperialism may here and there introduce some minor changes as incidental bait in its struggle, or may even grant some modern concessions to the colonial mass struggle. But it has no intention of building up any new productive forces, facilities, etc., to rival its own.

## UNITED AGAINST FREEDOM

All recent developments prove that American imperialism, despite its acute rivalries with Britain, and despite its desire to supplant British domination through financial control, still backs British imperialism on the question of suppressing national independence and colonial freedom.

This explains American imperialism's special form of support for Britain as against the Soviet

Union's charges at the recent London UNO meeting. It also explains why Secretary Byrnes met Vandenberg's criticism of "softness" toward the Soviet Union by himself developing Vandenberg's bullying policy toward the Soviet Union to a blunter stage.

If Browder pretends that his theory of a U. S. imperialism compelled to be progressive is merely a description of what is happening, then the events themselves refute him.

If he is trying, on the other hand, to "persuade" Wall Street that "it ought to be progressive" for "its own good" then he is selling reactionary, cynical nonsense intended only to perpetuate illusions within the American working class. Browder insists that the working class help Wall Street extend its financial power throughout the world on the ground that this is good for the world and for the working class in the United States. His insistence on a policy so poisonous to all working class ideas and interests is a measure of how he and his propaganda must be spurned and combatted.



# National Parley Called to Form Win Peace Body

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, March 4.—A national conference to mobilize the American people behind the anti-fascist peace policies of Franklin D. Roosevelt will be held here April 5, 6 and 7, it was announced today by Rep. Adolph J. Sabath (D-Ill.).

The movement, aimed at winning the peace through strengthening Big Three unity and eradicating all remnants of fascism, is sponsored by 23 Congressmen, two Senators and more than 200 prominent Americans, Sabath said.

"The people of America are disturbed and uneasy," Sabath said. "Victory, for which we paid so



KILGORE



SABATH

high a price, seems to be slipping from our grasp. The unity which won us that victory seems to be forgotten by many. Even before we have finished counting the dead in the war just won, there are those who speak openly of war with Russia. Germany's war po-



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MRS. BETHUNE

tential still remains to be destroyed. The hopes of the colonial peoples for freedom and self-government are being drowned in blood.

"There is no greater need in America today than to focus the full



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attention of the nation on the desperate need for winning the peace," declared Sabath.

Present in the rules committee room where Sabath held his press conference and made the announcement were several Congressmen and Washington members of the sponsoring committee. W. H. Higinbotham, chairman and Dr. Melber Phillips, executive secretary of the Federation of American Scientists, indicated the interest of the atomic scientists in the conference.

"The atomic bomb has place the issue squarely before scientists," said Dr. Phillips. "either science becomes a tool for imperialism in an unending armaments race, or science is used to release the tremendous benefits of atomic energy for peaceful development."

She added that she expected the conference to support civilian rather than military control of atomic energy.

Rep. Hugh DeLacy (D-Wash.) said that he expected the conference will take a firm stand on a progressive foreign policy that will guarantee a durable peace.

Martin Popper, executive secretary of the National Lawyers Guild, said that he and other sponsors felt that peace could not be maintained

## Many Leaders Sponsor Parley

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Congressmen and leading Americans sponsoring the National Mobilization in Washington April 5, 6 and 7 to win the United States back to a genuine anti-fascist foreign program are:

Rep. William E. Green (D-Pa.); Rep. Emanuel Celler (D-NY); Rep. William Granahan (D-Pa.); Rep. Herbert J. McGlinchey (D-Pa.); William Gallagher (D-Minn.); Charles M. Price (D-Ill.).

Also Louis Adamie, Author; James Egert Allen, NAACP; Elmer A. Benson, Chairman, Exec. Council, NCPAC; Mary McCleod Bethune, Chairman, Nat'l Council of Negro Women; Walter Bernstein, Former Youth correspondent; Janet M. Bolin, Magistrate, New York City; Rev. Dwight J. Bradley, Religious Assoc., NCPAC; Harry R. Bridges, Pres. Internat'l Longshoremen & Warehousemen's Union, CIO; Rep. John M. Coffee, Wash.; Rabbi J. X. Cohen, Amer. Jewish Conference; Morris L. Cooke, Consulting Engineer.

Also Norman Corwin, Writer; Joseph V. Cronin, Pres. New Eng. Council, Nat'l Assoc. of Machinists, AFL; Bartley C. Crum, Vice Pres., Nat'l Lawyers Guild; Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., Congressman, New York City; Jo Davidson, Chairman, Ind. Citizens Committee; Rep. Hugh DeLacy, Wash.; Rep. Helen G. Douglas, Calif.; Rep. Clyde Doyle, Calif.; Roscoe Dunjee, Editor, Black Dispatch; Julius Emspack, Sec'y-Treas., United Elec. Radio & Machine Workers, CIO.

Also Rev. Joseph F. Fletcher, Eastern Theological Seminary; Frederick V. Field, Exec. Comm. Member, Institute of Pacific Relations; Clark Foreman, Chairman, Southern Conference for Human Welfare; Rev. Stephen H. Fritchman, Editor, Christian Register; Pauline Goddard, Actress; Rabbi Solomon Goldman, Chicago; Sidonie M. Gruenberg, Dir., Child Study Ass'n of America; Helen Hall, Social Worker; Oscar Hammerstein II, Writer; Bishop Lewis C. Hartman, Methodist Episcopal Church; Rep. Ned B. Healy, Calif.; Hulan E. Jack, Assemblyman, New York; Rev. W. H. Jernagin, Baptist Ministers Conference; Rep. Estes Kefauver, Tenn.; Robert W. Kenny, Atty General, Calif.

Also Sen. Harley M. Kilgore, W. Va.; Rep. William W. Lint, Ill.; Rev. Jack R. McMichael, Exec. Sec'y, Methodist Fed. for Social Service; Rep. Vito Marcantonio, N. Y.; Dr. Kirtley M. Mather, Pres., Amer. Assoc. of Scientific Workers; Rep. George P. Miller, Calif.; Rep. George E. Outland, Calif.; Bishop Edward L. Parsons, Protestant Episcopal Church; Rep. Luther Patrick, Ala.; Rep. Ellis E. Patterson, Calif.; Dr. Melber Phillips, Federation of American Scientists.

Also Rep. A. Clayton Powell, Jr., N. Y.; Lee Pressman, General Counsel, National CIO; Rep. Charles M. Price, Ill.; Paul Robeson, Chairman, Council on African Affairs; Rep. Adolph J. Sabath, Ill.; Rep. Charles R. Savage, Wash.; Vilhjalmur Stefansson, Explorer; Sen. Glen H. Taylor, Idaho; Dr. Channing H. Tobias, YMCA; J. Finley Wilson, Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Rev. Henry N. Wieman, University of Chicago; Dr. Mary E. Wooley, Pres. Emer., M. Holyoke College, and Bishop B. R. Wright, Jr., Council of Bishops, A.M.E. Church.

without restoring unity of the Allies who won the war. Fascism must be wiped out of the world, he said.

Asked by a reporter for the conference attitude toward Vandenberg's recent speech, Popper replied that on this he could not speak for the conference. "However, personally I agree with Senator Pepper that Vandenberg's speech was very harmful to American-Soviet relations." In response to further questions he said that he considered the speech of Secretary of State Byrnes "consistent with the line of Vandenberg."

Capt. Robert T. Leicester said the movement had been originally initiated by Jo Davidson, artist; Paul Robeson, Julius Emspack, secretary-treasurer of the UERMW-CIO, and Bartley Crum, vice-president of the National Lawyers Guild.

He said the sponsors included Sen. Harley M. Kilgore (D-WVa.), who will address the conference on German cartels, and Sen. Glen Taylor (D-Ida.).

Sabath's press conference today fell on the 40th anniversary of his entry to Congress. At few minutes after he left the conference he received from President Truman a telegram congratulating him

# Anti-Soviet Spy Scare Renewed by Canada

## Et tu, Emanuel...

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Rep. Emanuel Celler (D-NY) joined the chorus of Soviet-baiting today with an attack on both our Soviet ally and on Foreign Minister V. Molotov. He demanded Secretary of State Byrnes "crack down" on Russia "for her intransigence and her non-cooperation," at the coming New York meeting of the Security Council.

Celler, charged American correspondents were ejected from Manchuria because the Russians "fear the disclosure of gigantic looting of machinery belonging to the Chinese and disclosures of large scale Red Army operations."

"It is high time we got tough not only with Russia, but Molotov also," he said.

William B. Barry (D-NY) urged Churchill to repeat the attacks the British leader made on the Soviet Union in 1931 and 1937. Earlier, Barry had protested to the U. S. State Department against its "intervention in Spain."

## 3 Powers to Spain: Ease Franco Out

WASHINGTON, March 4 (UP).—The United States, Britain and France today called on the Spanish people peacefully to remove Generalissimo Francisco Franco as chief of the Spanish government. The three powers proposed an "interim or caretaker government."

The announcement was made in a three-power statement released simultaneously in Washington, London and Paris.

At the same time, the State Department released the text of 15 documents to show the relationship between the Spanish government of Franco and the European Axis.

The declaration has been in prospect for more than a week.

The three powers promised not to interfere in Spain's internal affairs but warned that the Spanish people cannot anticipate cordial relations with the United Nations so long as Franco remains in power. They charged Franco's regime was helped to power by Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy, and that it was patterned after those nations.

America, Britain and France expressed hope that Spain could avert another civil war, but they promised recognition for a substitute government only if it guarantees political amnesty, return of exiled Spaniards, freedom of assembly and political association, and provision for free public elections.

[Spanish Republican circles questioned why diplomatic and trade support was not cut off altogether, considering the published proof that Franco plotted with Hitler against the Allies.

[They agreed the Spanish people themselves must oust Franco, but were disturbed at the vague term: "interim or caretaker government." They pointed out that the Spanish people were capable of broadening the existing government-in-exile to include other Franco groups, and resented the implication that the western powers would sit in judgment.

[They recalled that the Soviet Union reflected this same concern when Pravda asked Saturday that the Soviet Union have a hand in

Encouraged by the anti-Soviet speeches of Secretary of State James F. Byrnes and Sen. Arthur Vandenberg, the Canadian government yesterday renewed its campaign against the Soviet Union in connection with alleged espionage.

An interim report of the Royal Commission, appointed by Premier Mackenzie King, again charged that the existence of an espionage ring in Canada, and published the names of four Canadians alleged involved.

The deliberate renewal of the campaign was indicated by the Royal Commission's charge that an unnamed Soviet citizen directed the alleged ring from Moscow, and that Col. Nicolai Zabotin, former military attaché in Ottawa, was the head of it.

The Soviet Government had announced ten days ago that a few minor officials of its Embassy in Ottawa had been approached with allegedly secret information. Since such activities were considered "impermissible," these officials were withdrawn.

The Soviet statement denounced the Canadian Government as having exposed all this—a year after the events occurred—to offset the Soviet Union's defense of Greece and the colonial peoples before the UNO.

Until now, the Canadian Government had not charged the USSR

directly with the responsibility for the alleged espionage, and had merely disclosed that 11 Canadian nationals were being investigated at the Rockcliffe barracks of the Mounted Police, near Toronto.

Yesterday the Royal Commission disclosed the names of four of the persons held: Emma Woikin, a cipher clerk in the Department of External Affairs; Capt. Gordon Lunan, a captain in the Canadian Army on loan to the government's information service; Edward Wilfred Mazerall, an electrical engineer in the National Research Council, and Kathleen Mary Willsher, employed in the office of the British High Commissioner.

Mrs. Woikin is supposed to have confessed guilt and the others are to be arraigned on March 11 under the War Secrets Act. Conviction carries a maximum penalty of seven years' imprisonment.

The Royal Commission's report alleges that the supposed espionage ring was interested in radar developments, the atomic energy plant at Chalk River, Ontario; information about American troop movements, the U. S. Navy's secret electronic explosive, and movements of Brazilian and Canadian troops.

Among the Soviet nationals allegedly implicated were Col. Nicolai Zabotin, military attaché; Lt. Col. Motinov, his chief assistant; Major Sokolov, on the staff of the commercial counsellor, and Lt. Angelov, one of the secretaries of the military attaché.

## Congresswomen Ask Franco Spare Toral

WASHINGTON, March 4 (UP). Six women members of the House today urged Franco to grant a stay of execution to Maria Teresa Toral, "The Lisa Melitner of Spain."

They said in a cable to Franco that they were "horrified" by reports of the forthcoming execution of Miss Toral, a noted scientist.

They urged Secretary of State James F. Byrnes to press for a stay of execution.

Signing the messages were Reps. Clare Boothe Luce (R-Conn.), Edith Nourse Rogers (R-Mass), Margaret Chase Smith (R-Me.), Emily Tarr Douglas (D-Ill.), Helen Gahagan Douglas (D-Cal.), and Chase G. Woodhouse (D-Conn.).

## Quill Hits Ouster Move As Plot to Balk Voters

CIO Transport Union leader Michael J. Quill yesterday answered a threat to his seat in the City Council with the statement that only the people of the Bronx "who voted overwhelmingly to elect me" have the right to determine his fitness to office.

Quill, who last week won an agreement from Mayor O'Dwyer which averted a citywide transit strike, was ordered to answer a petition Friday seeking his removal from office.

The order was signed yesterday by Justice Philip M. Kleinfield in Brooklyn Supreme Court on a petition presented by Joseph Goldstein, former magistrate. Goldstein acted as attorney for five Brooklyn "tax-payers."

The petition, attempting to instigate a political witch-hunt against Quill, sought to prove Quill violated the City Charter in his role as transit union leader.

In reply, Quill said:

"Only the people of the Bronx who voted overwhelmingly to elect me have the right to say whether or not I shall sit in the City Council. I shall fight with every means at my disposal to eliminate this plot to dispose of a progressive city official."



# 3 More GI Newsmen Hit Gag on Soldier Press

TOKYO, March 4 (UP).—Three more staff members of the Pacific edition of Stars and Stripes today added their names to the list of those voluntarily requesting transfers as a result of the removal of the Army newspaper's managing editor and columnist.

The three men were Sgt. Francis Don Canavan, for six years with the New York Herald Tribune; T/Sgt. Henry L. Moore, veteran newspaperman from Corpus Christi, Tex.; and Sgt. John Hancock, Joliet, Ill., a former freelance advertising writer in Chicago.

## Cubans Demand Franco Break

HAVANA, March 4.—More than 3,000 people paraded before President Grau San Martin's residence Saturday night to demand that Cuba break relations with Franco Spain.

The marchers were headed by Senate President Juan Marinello of the Popular Socialist Party, Sen. Fileno de Cardenas, Democrat, and Sen. Augustin Cruz, Autentico (Grau's party).

Demonstrators demanded President Grau apply the resolution for rupture of relations with Franco passed unanimously by the Congress last October.

Dock workers stopped work for two hours on two Spanish ships now in port and decided to refuse to service Spanish ships in the future.

The professional and student federations decided to cut off all cultural relations with Spain.

## Gov't Hunts for Cure of 'Q' Fever

WASHINGTON, March 4 (UP).—Undaunted by the fact that its laboratory workers are falling victim to the disease, the U. S. Public Health Service is vigorously hunting a cure for "Q" fever, a strange type of pneumonia which does not respond to conventional treatment. The symptoms resemble those of grippe—severe headaches, chills, body aches and often vomiting, and last a week or ten days.

## Tugwell Vetoes Bill For Puerto Rico Vote

SAN JUAN, P.R., March 4 (UP).—Governor Rexford G. Tugwell yesterday vetoed legislation which would have given Puerto Rico a voice in selection of its next governor and authorized a plebiscite next year to decide the island's permanent political status in relation with the United States.

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Canavan said he was requesting reassignment "because as a working newspaperman I can not agree with the policies under which this newspaper is published."

"Freedom of expression is guaranteed under the Constitution," he said, "yet we have not known such freedom here."

Hancock said he requested transfer because of "prevailing conditions surrounding the operation of this newspaper."

Yesterday four other members of the Army newspaper submitted requests for transfers in protest against the removal of Sgt. Ken Pettus, Chicago, former managing editor of the Stars and Stripes, and Cpl. Bernard D. Rubin, Waterbury, Conn., the columnist. Both men were ordered transferred to Okinawa Feb. 7 after Army headquarters had charged them with "questionable discretion and integrity."

Other members of the newspaper protested to Gen. Douglas MacArthur who granted the two an informal stay pending investigation by the Inspector general's department.

The Okinawa transfers were upheld by the inspector general, Col.

E. J. Dwan, and Pettus and Rubin were ordered transferred to Yokohama.

Maj. Kenneth L. Halferson, Canton, S. D., who is in direct charge of the Stars and Stripes, said all requests for transfers were forwarded to a higher authority. He added that he was "sure" they would be accepted.

## DeLacy Asks Probe Of GI Press Muzzle

A demand was on Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson's desk yesterday by Representative Hugh DeLacy (D-Wash.) to investigate Brass Hat muzzling of the GI press. DeLacy called attention to the order issued by Brig. Gen. Charles T. Lanham, director of the Army's Information and Education department, imposing censorship on soldier newspapers.

Gen. Lanham was quoted by DeLacy as saying:

"A reporter on the Hearst press is not at liberty to attack Mr. Hearst or the Hearst policy. If he does, first, it doesn't get in the papers, and second, he is fired."

"Why then should the staff of a soldier publication," Lanham continued, "feel that it is entitled to attack the War Department, War Department policies, and the high officers who are responsible for the formulation of policies?"

# Harlem Parley Maps Plans to Build Mass CP

Plans to build a mass Communist Party were laid last weekend at a convention in the American Negro Theater Auditorium, 15 West 125th street.

Main decisions were: (1) to re-establish a Harlem Section of the Party; (2) rally the Negro people unitedly against the wave of anti-Negro violence in Freeport and Tennessee; (3) unanimously confirm the CP-National Committee's expulsion of Earl Browder.

Delegates heard Ben Davis chairman of the Communist Party of Harlem, and N. Y. City Councilman, at the opening of the parley at the Ethiopian World Federation Auditorium, 290 Lenox Avenue.

Davis covered five major topics: (1) the fight for peace; (2) the spreading wave of anti-Negro violence; (3) the need for independent political action among the Negro people against its misleaders, particularly against social democracy; (4) building a mass Communist Party in Harlem.

Delegates confirmed Davis' emphasis which stated that "the re-establishment of the Harlem Section puts the Communist Party on the first beginning steps to actively struggle for the day to day needs of the Negro people."

Harold Collins, a Negro longshoreman, stressed that "the first thing we longshoremen are after is a Longshoremen's union. The Communist Party gave the first lead toward that. Negro longshoremen of Harlem are ready. We are out to establish the first Negro longshoremen's union. Through that medium we can strengthen our fight for equal status in the I.L.A."

Bonita Williams, leader of the John Brown club, spoke of "making the Communist club a greater asset to the community."

Reports dealt with the new role of the Negro trade unionists, work among the West-Indian population, Negro youth and Party building. The announcement by Charles

Loman, that a bus cavalcade of Negro and white citizens will go to the forthcoming Union Square Mass Protest Rally on Freeport and Tennessee, Thursday, March 7th was hailed. So was the proposal that on March 17, at the Golden Gate, a mass rally be build under the auspices of the Harlem CP.

Other resolutions passed included: naming a Negro to the Board of Education; citywide support for housing for Negro and white veterans through commandeering boarded up mansions and houses; establishing special Housing Clinics in the Party clubs; commending Davis' leadership and pledging loyalty and support to the incoming section leadership; urging Mayor O'Dwyer to set up more nurseries and child care centers; protests to Governor Dewey to investigate the Freeport whitewash and to President Truman for his continued silences against outrages on the Negro people.

New section leadership of 18 elected were: Bob Campbell, Bonita Williams, Rose Gaudin, Larry Washington, Leon Love, Carmen Lopez, Horace Marshall, Benjamin J. Davis, Maude White, Cyril Phillips, Fern Owens, Theodore Bassett, John Lavin, Letty Cohen, Herb Whiteman Sam Patterson, Oscar James, and a representative (to be named) from the Lower Washington Heights section.

## Not Good Neighborly

The United Fruit Co. is in hot water with the Cuban Treasury, the Havana newspaper Hoy reports. In transferring its vast sugar properties to the United Sugar Co., the American banana trust undervalued the deal more than \$10,000,000, thus saving \$100,000 in taxes on the transaction. A commission has been surveying the property with a view to early recovery of the sum.

## Weekly Honors Clayton Powell

The New Republic has placed Rep. Adam Clayton Powell on its 1945 Congressional Honor Roll for meritorious service in the House of Representatives, Bruce Hilven, editor, announced yesterday.

The magazine singled out Rep. Powell's fight against discrimination and listed his voting record from Jan. 3, 1945, until the end of that year.

In the three instances where Rep. Powell was absent from the House, the New Republic noted that they were due to illness, the death of his mother and the death of his wife's mother.

## LaGuardia Hits Power Trusts

WASHINGTON, March 4 (UP).—Former Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia of New York today hit out at "the power crowd" and predicted that within 30 years there will be "very few" privately owned and operated utilities.

LaGuardia appeared before a Senate Foreign Relations subcommittee in behalf of a resolution to authorize completion of the St. Lawrence seaway project.

LaGuardia said that if the power feature were eliminated from the project, all opposition would disappear. Personally, he said, he is "attracted" to the power feature.

As for the railroads, which have opposed it, LaGuardia advised them to "clean their own house before they come in here opposing a cheaper means of transportation."

Gov. Frank J. Lausche of Ohio; Daniel Hoan, former Mayor of Milwaukee, and Charles Poletti, former Lieutenant Governor of New York, also testified in behalf of the project.

## Allied Commission Due in Trieste Thurs.

LONDON, March 4 (UP).—The special commission established to investigate the ethnic composition of Venezia Giulia in the Italian-Yugoslav border area left London yesterday and is due to reach Trieste Thursday, the Foreign Office announced today.

ROME, March 4 (UP).—Premier Alcide de Gasperi said during a press conference today that if the disputed area of Trieste was awarded to Yugoslavia Italy would not sign the peace treaty.

## Hold Adm. Kose Abe

TOKYO, March 4 (UP).—Vice Admiral Kose Abe, former Japanese commander of the Marshall Islands, was held in Sugamo prison today, charged with directing the beheading of eight American prisoners in Kwajalein in April, 1942.

# Dewey Bill On Health Falls Short

By MAX GORDON

ALBANY, March 4.—Gov. Dewey tonight sent to the Legislature his "expanded" health program calling for \$7,000,000 of state aid to communities, with emphasis on fighting tuberculosis.

The program is designed to get the Governor off the spot on the issue of state health insurance, for which labor, progressive health and other civic groups have been clamoring.

This is considered only a fragmentary solution to a single aspect of the problem.

Dewey calls for the state to reimburse the localities 75 percent for the first \$100,000 spent on public health and 50 percent for all above that.

The state would also pay half the cost of hospital treatment for every TB patient up to a maximum of \$250. It would help build new facilities.

TB sanatoria and hospitals, now financed by city and county governments are overcrowded and insufficient.

Democrats, who back health insurance, were expected tonight to attack the program as an evasion. They support the Farbstain-Corcoran health insurance bill, as do labor and progressive groups.

Assemblyman Leonard Farbstain, Manhattan Democrat, has already served notice that tomorrow he intends to demand a public hearing for his bill before the Assembly Ways and Means Committee. Farbstain maintains 83 percent of the people of the state voted for compulsory health insurance in an opinion poll.

The Governor's program comes after two years of "study" by a committee set up at his request. In proposing the committee in 1944, he made it clear he would not go along with any program that would not be acceptable to the leaders of the medical profession; that is, the American Medical Association.

To make sure no such program would emerge, he packed the 19-man group with doctors known to share the viewpoint of the AMA leadership.

The committee was unable to agree on any program and four separate reports were issued recently. The "majority" report, signed by nine of the 19 members, opposed all health insurance.

Assemblyman Farbstain and Sen. James A. Corcoran, Brooklyn Democrat, the two minority party committee members, issued a separate report calling for health insurance. Farbstain charged in the Assembly last week that all hearings by the committee were strictly private, off-the-record affairs.

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# Murray Calls CIO Drive on Prices To Guard Raises

The CIO, estimating that its wage raises in two months passed the half billion dollars a year mark for 1,500,000 members, yesterday issued directives for a three-pronged drive to safeguard the gains.

The directives, through a "personal message from Philip Murray" to all CIO affiliates were spread over the front page of the CIO News.

In contrast to CIO gains the survey noted, the AFL listed "partial reports" of gains since V-J Day involving only 573,837 workers.

The CIO gains, in most cases 18% cents an hour, cover: 750,000 in steel (of whom 250,000 are still out but are certain to get it); 211,800 in auto; 195,000 in textile (8 to 11 cents); 150,000 in clothing (20 to 31 percent); 48,000 in electrical; 30,000 in oil; 22,400 in shoe, 15,000 in glass, 11,000 in the newspaper industry; 9,600 in transport; 2,000 in communications and 6,000 in leather.

## THREE POINTS

The following three "unfinished tasks" which must now be pressed, declares Murray in his message, are "absolutely vital for preserving and extending the effect of these wage settlements":

"First," declares Murray, "Members of the CIO must join with millions of other Americans in repelling the attacks upon price control. . . . With the same persistence and energy that has marked our historic fight for wage increases we must now resist the attacks of the profiteers upon price control."

"Second," warns Murray, "the victories of organized labor are being threatened by sinister legislative proposals pending in Congress which are designed to deprive workers of their rights to organize and bargain collectively and to undermine the very existence of union." The CIO leader called for pressure to defeat the Case and the Ball-Burton-Hatch bills.

"Third," says Murray, "the millions of unorganized workers all over America will inevitably share in the fruits of our campaign for substantial wage increases. . . . Now is the time to bring home to these workers the message of trade unionism. Now is the time to make them see that the improved patterns emerging during this period are the product of progressive trade unionism of the CIO."

The message was sent as the CIO is launching an organizing drive principally in the South, to be backed by a million-dollar fund.

## ANSWERS AFL, REUTHER

Murray's message was obviously an answer to the campaign being waged against him by the Social Democratic backers of Walter Reuther and top AFL leaders. Both of those groups claim that he ignored the fight on prices when he negotiated the steel wage raise.



**A Raise for Rubber Workers:** Leaders of the CIO United Rubber Workers put the finishing touches on a contract reached with the rubber industry's "Big Four." The contract raises pay 18% cents an hour for some 100,000 and will presumably set a pattern for a total of 200,000. Seated (l. to r.) are W. E. Murphy, Firestone; L. S. Buckmaster, union president; L. M. Buckingham, attorney. Standing, E. M. Cushing, U. S. Rubber Co.; Fred Climer, Goodyear Rubber Co.; D. D. Felchaw, Goodrich; T. S. Markky, attorney for the rubber companies, and G. L. Patterson, attorney for the union.

## Protests Deluge Mayor in Phila.

PHILADELPHIA, March 4.—Mayor Samuel's office is being deluged with telephone calls denouncing police attacks on General Electric strikers.

In Washington, Rep. William J. Green (D-Pa.) lashed out at Sheriff Austin Mehan of Philadelphia for the police terror.

A petition demanding protection of workers' rights has been handed to the Mayor by the Community Council in Support of Labor. Endorsing the demand are Rep. William Granahan (D-Pa.); State Rep. Samuel Rose; Rev. Williamson, head of the Negro Baptist Conference; Arthur Huff Fauset, chairman of United Peoples Action Committee;

## Baltimore Dockers Force Secret Poll

Special to the Daily Worker

BALTIMORE, March 4.—More than 4,000 longshoremen vote today in secret ballot on company counter-offers to their demands as they continued their "holiday" which has kept the entire port area shut.

The secret ballot came after the dockers, members of the International Longshoremen's Assn., rejected a proposal for an open vote at a membership last Saturday.

The union is demanding an increase in pier gangs. Disgruntled rank and file members of local 858 and 829, however, have also been raising the issues of wage increases, retroactive pay and overtime considerations.

Last Saturday 3,000 longshoremen met at the Recreation Pier at the foot of Broadway to hear international vice-president August Igzik report on the negotiations.

The companies proposed a 20-man gang instead of the 21-man gang demanded by the union for general cargo and an increase of one man for the present 15-man gangs for top cargoes.

Unrest and anger at the union officials for not keeping them properly informed of the negotiations and evading the other demands is widespread. There is much sentiment for a regular strike call rather than the present "holiday."

The men point out that only the Baltimore port has failed to benefit from an award handed down in January by William H. Davis, chairman of the War Labor Board.

The WLB granted a \$1.50 an hour wage level on all ports. In addition, the men demand time and a half for Saturday work and retroactive pay increases since Oct. 1 when their contract expired.

Indications that the Philadelphia port might be tied-up by a longshoremen's Walkout on Wednesday, spurred the dockers here to press their fight.

## Schenectady Town Meeting

By BEN FIELD

Author of Elper Tompkins  
Daily Worker Strike Correspondent

SCHENECTADY, March 4.—On my way to the town meeting called by 200 merchants to discuss the General Electric strike, I stopped at the home of Cyril Sille. Sille lives a stone's throw away from the hotel where GE keeps its spies who train their binoculars out of windows to determine when to make their attacks on the picket line.



BEN FIELD

Cy Sille comes from the Virgin Islands, where there was no Jimcrow until we brought them from the Danes. He is a kindly, cultured man, an expert typist and stenographer whom GE would give no other job but that of porter because he is a Negro. He has traveled with various bands and orchestras over the country, and at one time barnstorming with an Uncle Tom's Cabin company, playing in the band and acting the part of Sambo in the melodrama. He is a master of the saxophone and the piano, and during the hour I spent at his home he played sonatas by Mozart and Beethoven on his grand piano.

Afterwards we went to the armory together with a friend of his who is a jazz pianist. Five thousand people were there to back up the demands of the merchants and professional people that General Electric stop fighting its workers and accept the wage policy of the nation.

## GE AND KRUPP

Russel A. Nixon, who has recently returned from Germany, where he was director of investigation of cartels in the American Military Government, was

a big gun of this town meeting. He revealed that the Federal Government has indicted GE for working with the Krupp firm of Hitler Germany to monopolize the production of tungsten carbide used in the manufacture of machine tools. According to his testimony, GE was doing business with Nazi Krupp after the invasion of Poland and Czechoslovakia; that this conspiracy also helped build up the armed might of Japan and Italy.

Flanked by guards of honor, William Hood, Purple Heart veteran, a striker at the GE plant in Philadelphia, described the police attack which took place last week. He said the reaction of veterans is: "My God, this is just what we finished fighting against!"

Leo Jandreau, business agent of Local 301, denounced the GE claim that it is not trying to break the strike with its injunctions and police attacks. He stated, however, that if the company would give guarantees against attempting production work, the union would allow into the plant all whose services would help the community. Furthermore, the union was prepared at a drop of the hat to sit down with the company to discuss any reasonable proposals to settle the strike.

## "UTTERLY INDEFENSIBLE"

Former U. S. Army Provost Marshal Col. Ernest Burhmaster, a Schenectady attorney, criticized the City Council for its refusal to take a stand on the strike. He condemned GE's failure to negotiate as "utterly indefensible."

Julius Emspak, who was a toolmaker at the GE plant and is now national secretary-treasurer of the UE, scathingly denounced the corporation's indifference to the welfare of its workers, and said

that its action in Philadelphia showed a direction in the development of a pattern "similar to that of Hitler in Germany."

Billy Mastriani, who is out on bail, chief steward, a former lightweight fighter who throughout the strike has shown what a great scrapper he is, was given an ovation by the audience. Joseph Dominelli, chairman of the veterans' committee, presented a resolution declaring that the Philadelphia police attacks were "an effort to establish at home the storm trooper rule which American soldiers, sailors and marines fought and died to destroy."

## GRAPES OF WRATH

Albert Male, coal dealer and member of the county board of supervisors, who served as chairman, introduced the stage and screen stars and the writers who had come from New York to show their solidarity with the workers at the town meeting. They were Ray Lev, the pianist; Julie Warden, Jerome Robbins, Millard Lampell, David Golding, Katherine Locke and Kenneth Spencer.

As Spencer, the fine Negro singer, stood on the platform, winning over the audience with his magnificent voice and warm personality, I thought of Cyril Sille and his friend and the Negro dead at Freeport, Long Island, and Columbia, Tenn., and the rising terror against both Negro and white in various parts of the country. I heard the sword-rattling coming from Washington and the preparations for another World War.

Spencer sang The Battle Hymn of the Republic, and as I looked at the grim and determined men and women in front of him, I could see how the grapes of wrath are slowly being stored in the people, heaped up, pressed down, and finally flowing over.

## ALL OUT! AGAINST LYNCH TERROR MASS RALLY

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# Change the World

by Mike Gold

LAST week I enjoyed a visit to an unusual art gallery. It is situated in a subway station.

As New Yorkers pour in a dark, muttering river through the banks of the Sixth Ave. subway at 42 St., they run smack into a bright bookstore. This is the Tribune shop, owned and operated by a group of artist refugees from Nazi Germany.

It is one level below the street, on the west side of the station. In the midst of the confusion, the sweat, the grinding of New York traffic like a dentist's drill through the nerves, this Tribune shop stands like a quiet lighthouse, full of good books, modern books, left-wing and artistic books.

I am told that many bold subway riders and their jangling spurs going to work, to a prize-fight, a theatre or a stock exchange rodeo have been caught here by the glitter of a fine book. They dropped casually into the bookshop, bought a copy of Thomas Mann, Howard Fast, or Maxim Gorky, and were never the same afterward.



Book reading, to my mind, is the fines of all entertainments. It is a magic door into the history of mankind, a circus of creation, a school of humanity, a key to the past.

It is the mirror of all life, a blueprint for the happy future of the human race. It is entertainment. But it also teaches.

The groups in the population that do not read books are definitely reactionary—such as cops, stock brokers, bank presidents, stool pigeons, corporation bosses, scabs, phony labor leaders, etc. But you will find that the progressive elements of the populace are great consumers of the book: honest labor leaders, school teachers, militant trade unionists, seamen, machinists, housewives, doctors, lawyers and authors, honest parsons, etc., etc.

"Freedom and whisky gang together," sang bad, glad, sad, mad Bobby Burns, my favorite poet. But he was wrong in this, though with poetic license. For it is books and freedom that go together, and Burns was a great reader of books.

Thus, every trade union should build up its own library for the use of its membership. This will help build a strong union.

Every subway station, too, ought to have a bookshop. This will build up a finer and cleaner city, with guts and historic intelligence enough to cure itself of all

fascist germs in the bloodstream.

This Tribune bookshop also contains the first subway art gallery.

How many militant trade unionists ever visit an art gallery showing living painters? Very few—the galleries are mostly on 57 St., among the expensive, snooty lingerie shops, antique junkie shops, fashionable shoe and dress shops.

It is a street frequented by New Yorkers who wear mink and with incomes above \$20,000 a year. The subway is more universal; it is the place where the vast majority from \$500 to \$3,000 a year travels. This is where our bookshops and art galleries should be placed.

The Tribune art gallery is open to every subway rider who comes. This week it has been having a fascinating exhibit. Two German refugee, anti-Nazi artists named B. F. Dolbin and Fred Stein have confronted their mediums. Stein is a photographer, Dolbin a draftsman and caricaturist.

In this exhibition, cleverly arranged by the author, F. G. Alexan, the two artists often portray the same subject.

"Dolbin apparently begins in a fantastic manner but ends in a documentary portrait," writes H. E. Jacob in a program note. "Fred Stein would like to photograph in a documentary manner but

## Subway Art Shop Rides to Progress

reaches magic truth during the act of creation."

I like two portraits of Franz Werfel by Dolbin, which give us every collop of well-fed meat on the swollen body of the spiritual, Catholic convert.

"To draw means to discover in Dolbin—what we did not know, he makes evident—the 'gemutlichkeit' in the socialist utopian, H. G. Wells; the botanist of the word in Thomas Mann; the drawing room Jesuit in Jules Romains; Theodore Dreiser, holding a manuscript like a palette."

Fred Stein was a lawyer in Dresden; then a journalist in Paris; later the artist of these portraits. He has caught the "single creative moment" that takes photography out of the realm of mechanics, and makes it art. He has portrayed "kindness and suffering" in his picture of Romain Rolland; the tribune of humanity, in Henri Barbusse; the soul of the working class in Alexander Granach's miner.

The Sixth Ave. subway line and its numerous customers can be proud of their little art gallery. Next month it will have an exhibition of pictures and drawings by former GIs—for which space is still available to veterans. Address, 100 West 42 St., Mr. F. G. Alexan.

## Letters from Our Readers

### Press Play Up of Franco Like That of Mussolini

Syracuse, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

In the Feb. 15 issue of the Syracuse Herald Journal, an ex-Hearst paper, there appeared a series of photos of Franco showing him playing golf and fishing.

Imagine a character like Franco getting this kind of write-up in our democratic press! It is reminiscent of 1923 and 1924 when Mussolini was played up the same way.

TERRA NOVA.

### Nationalization of Industry Should Be Advanced

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

It seems to me that we are not advancing persistently enough the policy of the nationalization of our basic industries. It is actively being taken up by Communist Parties all over the world. Marx-

ian economists should engage in a thorough analysis of this subject, as a basis for education for workers. It would certainly clarify the issue for many workers. I would like to see a series of articles appear in the Daily.

G. BOGDON.

### Nationalize Industry And Preserve Peace

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Should we, 140 million Americans, tolerate the continued existence of a situation where the means of producing wealth is concentrated in the hands of a few? The keys to our living should be in the hands of the people and for the people's benefit.

Industry and the banks should be nationalized. That is the only way to achieve full employment and to preserve the peace. We cannot have peace in the world while industry and the banks are

The Editors welcome your opinions and contributions to this page. Due to lack of space letters should be limited to 150 words so as to permit the printing of as many as possible. Please include full name and address with your letters. We will withhold names upon request.

In the hands of the arrogant monopolists.

R. P.

### Atomic Energy Can Advance Living Standards

Chicago, Ill.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The following is part of a letter sent to President Truman and my Congressman:

"If atomic energy was developed for humanity, it would advance living standards and conditions of the people by leaps and bounds. Instead, greed, selfishness and isolationism overcomes knowledge. 'Scientists bring the future to the present day. These men and women, haven't got freedom of

development. How can we, the people, have any freedom.

"Science belongs to humanity, and cannot be bought at any price, if it is to flourish. Limitations of any kind spell doom to progress and achievements of free science and thought and culture."

E. S. LAMEKA

### Suggests Stronger Action In Housing Fight

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The housing situation is so alarming and our veterans are suffering so. Yet our Party has done little to help them. We should take the lead in this fight. It is our duty.

This situation demands an all-out march to Washington to put the pressure on our government to do something immediately. We have been slow to act on this question and we must now get to work. Otherwise, we will find our-

selves at the tail of this movement instead of at its head. Veterans are looking to the Communists for help and we must not fail them.

### Closer Attention Needed To Personal Problems

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Bourgeois values corrupt every aspect of human relations, particularly here in America where the grip of capitalism is so strong and where the counter-weight of working class values is practically non-existent except in restricted Marxist circles. Even here one meets with an understanding of these values but rarely a consistent application of them in the personal life. In America, for example, it is possible to be a male chauvinist (except that he washes dishes occasionally), an over-sentimental or overbearing father, a mercenary doctor or writer, a "pure" intellectual, an egotist or a bureaucrat and still style oneself a "Marxist." Does this mean then that Marxism has no application in the personal life of the individual? Or does it mean on the other hand that we need to pay closer attention to the personal and emotional problems of our people through a clearer delineation of Marxist behavior in human relations?

For the individual, psychoanalysis may be helpful. But the combined effect of ruthless self-criticism, intensive Marxist study and consistent political activity will do even more in helping us rid ourselves of a lot of emotional baggage and achieve a healthier adjustment to life. It will also go a long way in helping us eradicate that duality—Marxist in theory, bourgeois in practice—which is at the bottom of so many of the frustrations prevalent among middle class elements in the Party.

In this country we are always so close to the brink of catastrophe that we never seem to have time in the Party to discuss personal problems. However, a little more attention paid to these matters will certainly yield big dividends in the way of improved quality of leadership. For another thing, it will attract many new people to our ranks, particularly women, who will come to see that our Party fights for equality in every aspect of human relations and rejects the validity of any deviation on purely emotional grounds.

B. H. A.

## Socialism, Empire and Max Lerner

by Alan Max

WHEN Max Lerner writes in PM he calls himself a liberal. When he writes in The Nation he calls himself a Socialist. But his recent article in PM, "Socialism and Empire," shows that he is a foe of socialism and that his liberalism is suspect, to say the least.

Lerner noted the violence of British power in India, Palestine and Egypt and the shocking role of the British Labor Government. He sees that the Labor Government has the same attitude toward the colonial peoples as had the Tory Government which it succeeded. Then he draws the conclusion that "socialism as practiced today does not necessarily exclude imperialism; that they can and do exist side by side."

Someone else, watching the behavior of the British Labor Government, would say: "by their deeds these leaders show they are not Socialists, no matter what they may call themselves; they are clearly agents of imperialism, masking themselves as Socialists."

Not so Dr. Lerner; he takes their claim to being Socialists at its face value (just as he wants people to accept his own claim to being a Socialist—when he writes in The Nation) and tells us that socialism itself can be imperialistic. One of the purposes and effects of "social democracy" (for that is what we have in Britain today and not socialism) is to discredit real socialism. And just in case British social democracy isn't able to fully discredit socialism, here comes Dr. Lerner to add the finishing touches.

BUT what about socialism in the only place where it does exist today, in the Soviet Union? Where a Vandenberg recounts at length the "imperialism" of the Soviet Union, Lerner takes the "imperialism" of the Soviet Union for granted. Everyone knew all along the Soviet Union was "totalitarian" and "more effective in extending its empire than the Czarist Government," says our Nation "socialist." This is dangerous stuff Dr. Lerner is playing with.

For on the most critical issue of our times—American-Soviet relations—it looks as if there is little to choose between a Vandenberg trying to prove the Soviet Union is an imperialist menace and a Lerner pretending that proof isn't even necessary.

And when Lerner talks of Britain being encircled on one side by the "advancing power of Russian communism," he is slipping into that reactionary lingo current in this country today in attacking the new democracies of Eastern Europe, where fascism is actually being destroyed down to the very roots.

FURTHERMORE, by calling the Socialist Soviet Government "imperialist" and the imperialist British Labor Government "socialist," Lerner is spreading doubt as to the virtues of any labor or people's government those days, or of a third party movement in this country. But it is not inevitable that a British Labor Government behave like the present one. To the degree that a labor or people's government included or cooperated

with the Communists at home and worked closely with the Soviet Union abroad, it would be bound to carry out a democratic and progressive policy. (Although whether the imperialists would give such a government the same support that Churchill and Eden give Bevin, is another matter.) But the very conditions for any progressive government these days—firm relations with the Soviet Union and at least acceptance of the Communists as full citizens—are undermined by Lerner's approach.

LAST but not least. If the British Government is carrying out imperialist policies—which it is—and if the Soviet Government is carrying out imperialist policies—which it is not—then don't the imperialist policies of American capitalism and our own government appear to be justified? In fact, the only note of censure of American capitalism in Lerner's article is that it is "still unwilling to grant the British a loan."

But American capitalism is today the greatest danger to peace as it seeks to extend its mastery throughout the world. By seeing dangers only elsewhere and particularly in the Soviet Union, Lerner is giving valuable aid to reaction here at home.

In this respect our PM liberal and Nation Socialist is acting not very differently from his Social-Democratic brothers in high British offices whom he seems to criticize so sharply. They serve their imperialists; Lerner serves his by spreading confusion and doubt.



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## The Uproar Over Iran

**I**F YOU believed the capitalist press and radio, you'd think that something terrible was happening in Iran. But the only terrible fact in the whole situation is how the American people are being served lies and slanders. Powerful newspapers, reactionary Senators, irresponsible Iranian diplomats are all ganging up to bludgeon and bewilder the American public. And they all take their cue from the "get tough" policy of Secretary Byrnes.

Consider the facts:

At the Security Council session in February, the Soviet Union agreed to negotiate disputed issues with the Iranian premier, Ahmed Ghavem. The Iranian premier is now in Moscow. The negotiations are continuing.

Second, the Soviet Union is withdrawing its troops from central and northern Iran as per wartime agreements. This was announced last Friday, and confirmed by the premier's associate in Teheran.

Part of the Soviet forces are remaining in the north-western districts until the negotiations clarify the situation. Prince Firouz, the premier's spokesman, considered this a "friendly gesture."

So what's all the rumpus about?

The whole noise from Teheran and Washington is clearly the work of the most reactionary noblemen in the Iranian parliament who are encouraged by the Byrnes-Vandenberg addresses and want nothing less than an American intervention in Iran—an armed showdown with the USSR.

Just to show you how irresponsible these noblemen can be, take the case of the ambassador to Washington, Hussein Ala. Without instruction from his government, he has the gall to query the United States on what action it is going to take. Ambassadors like that are simply incendiaries. And when American newspapers give such irresponsibility a hearing, they are deliberately inflaming the public against the Soviet Union.

But the issue in Iran goes much deeper.

Great Britain and the United States fear Iranian democracy; they know only too well that the Iranian ruling circles are a hopelessly corrupt and bankrupt crew. They know that when the Iranian people come into their own, they will re-examine all those oil concessions and airplane bases which British and American monopolists have gotten from the decadent nobility.

That's the real heart of the Iranian rumpus. British and American monopolists are fighting for oil and strategic bases against the people of Iran. And because the Soviet Union is wise to this game, the public is being hoodwinked with all sorts of anti-Soviet agitation here.

But how many Americans are ready to fight for oil in Iran?

How many Americans want to die to enrich the American and British corporations?

How many Americans are interested in perpetuating the rule of a handful of corrupt nobles in Teheran?

If Byrnes and Vandenberg want to do that, let them do it themselves.

Let them stop talking in the name of the American people. The American people want peace and not war.

## Brass Hats vs. Free Press

**W**HO won the war anyway?

Almost daily reports come in of suppression and censorship of GI newspapers.

Two editors of the Pacific edition of Stars and Stripes have been removed and transferred to Yokohama for exposing a nest of pro-Japanese imperialists in Tokyo.

The kind of mentality the brass hats want to impose on GIs was clearly stated by Brig. Gen. Charles T. Lanham, chief of the Army's Information and Education section. He compared the soldier press to the Scripps-Howard and Hearst newspapers.

Arguing that reporters on those papers can't criticize Roy Howard or William Randolph Hearst, Lanham asks why should a soldier publication be allowed to criticize the War Department or high officers?

This is the man in charge of informing and educating American soldiers. His is the mentality of Hearst and fascism and not the democracy we fought for.

This is the thinking of the men we met and defeated on the field of battle.

The suppression of the GI press and persecution of soldier editors is an assault on the democratic rights of the American people. Labor and the entire progressive movement in speaking up for the GIs will be defending democracy and liberty, which is threatened by reaction.

## The Pope and America

By JAMES S. ALLEN

(Concluded from Yesterday)

Everything surrounding the Papal ceremonies reveals a studied orientation towards the United States. In the new Curia, which is at full strength for the first time since the French Revolution, places of honor have been reserved for the new Cardinals from the Americas, especially for Spellman. Although the spotlight was occasionally shifted to the German, Polish and Hungarian Cardinals, it was focused most often on the hierarchy from New York.

Because of the weakened state of capitalism in Europe and the democratic renaissance in Italy and on the continent, the Vatican turns to the United States for aid and succor. For the first time in six centuries, Italian prelates are no longer in a majority on the Curia. Italy's political future is now so uncertain that it has been found expedient to reduce somewhat the close association between the Italian Church and the Curia.

Spellman has been singled out as the great hope of the Vatican and of reaction. He enjoys the double blessing of a large and rich Catholic community and of the support of reaction in America. More than anyone else he represents that wing of the American hierarchy that is associated with pro-fascism, while still managing to retain a certain modicum of respectability.

### REVEAL FASCIST AIM

The intense propaganda in the American press surrounding Spellman's appointment as Cardinal, the prominence accorded him in Vatican City, and the well-planted rumor campaign to have him appointed Vatican Foreign Secretary, which would place him next in line for the Papacy, reveal the real intentions of the powerful pro-American wing of the Church.

There has been noticeable for some time a fraternity of policy between the Vatican and the American government with respect to some European countries, especially Germany, and to a lesser extent in those countries where a revived Catholic party plays a role.

The Pope favors a resurgent Germany, in which Catholics would play a prominent part, as a bulwark against the Soviet Union and the new democracy. The American policy in Germany is to encourage precisely these elements,

rather than the anti-fascists, and for much the same reason. Thus, the first election in the American zone, and held only in the rural and small-town areas, was calculated to show the strength of the Catholic party, and to convince doubters that reliance upon them was the correct strategy.

### BRITISH BLOCK UNITY

British policy, on the other hand, tends to concentrate on the Social-Democrats in the Western zones of Germany and also in the rest of Europe, while taking to block any unity on their part with the Communists.

Certain advantages would therefore be gained by American reaction and imperialism from an alliance with the Vatican, not only in the anti-Soviet but also in the inter-imperialist game in Europe. This is not to mention Latin America where imperialism would seek to benefit from such an alliance.

Apparently, considerable opposition has been aroused from within the Catholic hierarchy itself to the pronounced American orientation of the Pope.

The Cardinals have good cause for alarm. A large sector of the Catholic community, particularly in Europe is resentful at this kowtowing to the American colossus and at the obvious intention to place an American and an outspoken friend of France in line for the Papacy.

The workers and anti-fascists of Europe, Catholic and non-Catholic know that the issue is between reaction and progress and cannot be diverted from their

struggle against all the remnants of fascism, or its reincarnation whatever form.

Spellman and the Argentine Cardinal were the only American prelates to attend the banquet at the Franco Embassy in Rome. The others found appropriate excuses for refusing to break with the representatives of a government which had just executed Spanish patriots, arousing a storm of protest throughout the world. In Paris, a government, of which the Catholic Bidault is foreign minister, closed the Spanish-French border and urged Britain and the United States to break relations with Madrid.

It is also significant that while Spellman chose to return home via Madrid, the other American Cardinals assiduously avoided this route. Obviously, the Catholic community is not a political unity, and is just as agitated by the great political issues of the day as are other sectors.

Apparently the Pope judged the time not yet appropriate for making Spellman his secretary of state.

Nevertheless, the new "anti-communist" crusade has been launched full force. It is "supranational" and "universal," as the Pope characterized his Church, and there are already enough signs to show that it is in full swing in our own country.

Here, as in Europe, the mass of Catholic workers are inclined to go along with the rest of the labor and progressive movement, rather than with the new reactionary crusade.

## Worth Repeating

Engels writing of historical materialism: "The materialist conception of history starts from the proposition that the production of the means to support human life and, next to production, the exchange of things produced, is the basis of all social structure; that in every society that has appeared in history, the manner in which wealth is distributed and society divided into classes or orders is dependent upon what is produced, how it is produced and how the products are exchanged. From this point of view the final cause of all social changes and political revolutions are to be sought, not in men's brains, not in man's better insight into eternal truth and justice, but in the changes in the modes of production and exchange. They are to be sought, not in the philosophy, but in the economics of each particular epoch."—Socialism: Utopian and Scientific, P. 54. International Publishers.



# Greek Government To Hold 'Election' Despite Protest

Premier Themistocles Sophoulis of Greece has decided to go ahead with elections scheduled for March 31, despite his own admission last week that the government cannot make the elections truly free or representative.

Former Foreign Minister John Sphianopoulos, the EAM and the Communist and Socialist parties are expected to boycott the polls.

They charge that government refusal to grant a two months' postponement to assure internal order and review the fraudulent electoral lists will open the way for "the destructive consequences that will result from the electoral coup d'etat

sought by monarchism."

Moscow radio asserted Monday night that "the only people in Greece who want elections this month are the spokesmen of the monarchist-fascist bands, but foreign factors insist that March 31 should be the date."

The Greek American Council also said that the presence of American observers would lend American authority to falsified elections.

# White Russian Sowing Is 2/3 of Pre-War

MOSCOW, March 4 (UP).—Moscow News today reported rapid progress in the agricultural recovery of the White Russian Republic where crops have been sown in approximately two-thirds of the pre-war acreage.

Pavel Ponomarenko, head of the White Russian Republic, said the entire period of the five-year plan will be necessary to restore livestock raising and productivity to its pre-war level.

Machine tractor stations already have been rebuilt and more than

20,000 livestock and poultry departments and collective farms have been reestablished.

The newspaper also reported fulfillment of the southern iron and steel production program for February—the first time the steel industry has topped the production plan since liberation.

## FOREIGN BRIEFS

### U. S. Urges Bulgaria To Find 'Unity' Basis

SOFIA, March 4 (UP).—The United States Government has submitted a memorandum to Bulgaria expressing hope that a common basis for collaboration can be found between the Bulgarian Government and its opposition.

The aide memoire confirmed the U. S. interpretation of the Moscow Big Three Foreign Ministers' conference agreement on broadening the Bulgarian Government, the announcement said.

This view calls upon the Bulgarian Government and its opposition to "find a basis acceptable to both for including in the present government two members really representing opposition parties," according to the announcement.

### Italy Envoy to France Quits to Campaign

ROME, March 4 (UP).—Giuseppe Saragat, Italian Ambassador to Paris, has been released at his own request from his diplomatic charge. It was announced officially.

In view of the imminent political elections, Saragat, one of the leaders of the Socialist Party, will return shortly to Rome where he intends to devote himself to the party's campaign.

### Mannerheim Resigns

HELSINKI, March 4 (UP).—Marshal Carl Gustav von Mannerheim has resigned as President of Finland. It was announced officially today.

Mannerheim went to Portugal recently because of his health.

### World Air Parley

DUBLIN, March 4 (UP).—The provisional international civil aviation organization conference opened here today with 250 delegates and observers present from 18 countries, including the United States.

They will study civil air transportation on the North Atlantic route.

### Hungary Govt. Crisis

BUDAPEST, March 4 (UP).—The Hungarian coalition government was threatened by a crisis today because of a drift to the right by the Smallholders Party. It was said nearly 100 members of Parliament might quit the party.

### U.S. Turkey Loan

LONDON, March 4 (UP).—An agreement was signed Sunday at Ankara for a \$10,000,000 American loan to Turkey. Exchange Telegraph reported in a dispatch from Istanbul today.

### Plan Korea Parley

SEOUL, Korea, March 4 (UP).—American military authorities revealed today seven U. S. Government representatives left Saturday for Pyongyang, capital of the Soviet occupation zone, to arrange for a new joint meeting.

### Chinese \$ Revalued

SHANGHAI, March 4 (UP).—The Central Bank of China today announced a new foreign exchange rate of 2,040 Chinese dollars to one American dollar.

The ruling was linked with the Export-Import plan announced Friday said to allot \$500,000,000 to encourage China's foreign trade.

### Humane Beatings

SHANGHAI, March 4 (UP).—A Japanese military today admitted to a U. S. military commission that he had beaten numerous American prisoners of war but claimed the beatings were "not inhumane."

# Tito Issues Amnesty Order

BELGRADE, March 4 (UP).—Marshal Tito, Supreme Commander of the Yugoslav Army, today ordered the immediate release from prison of all Yugoslavs who formerly served in enemy armies.

The order declared that the offenders would be given an opportunity to reform and take part in the rehabilitation of the country.

# British Loan 'Bar to Communism,' Kennedy Says

Joseph P. Kennedy, former U. S. Ambassador to Great Britain, thinks the U. S. should make Great Britain an "outright gift" of the proposed \$3,750,000,000 credit because "the British people

and their way of life form the last barrier in Europe against Communism."

"We must help them hold that line," the notorious American Firster told the New York Times in reply to an inquiry.

In the name of "enlightened self-interest," he said the U. S. must help the British now "to maintain the balance of world trade and world salvation lest otherwise they be driven into the arms of communism."

# Armenians Here In Refugee Plea

The American National Council of America appealed in a cable to the Provisional Committee of the World Council of Churches, which met last weekend in Geneva for the repatriation of more than a million refugee Armenians scattered throughout the world since the First World War.

The repatriation could be realized only if the now devastated Armenian provinces in Turkey were returned to the flourishing Soviet Armenian Republic, according to the council, which represents almost all Americans of Armenian origin.

The memorandum of the council was supported by independent messages cabled to the same body by the American Committee for Armenian Rights, signed by Edwin S. Smith, chairman, and Robert W. Searle, secretary; the prelate of the Armenian Church in North America, signed by Bishop Tiran Nersoyan, and the Armenian Missionary Association of America, Inc.

# Ask Famine Aid Include Africa

The Council on African Affairs urged yesterday that President Truman's food relief plans include African famine areas. In his message last week asking greater food conservation by Americans, Truman mentioned need in Europe and Asia, omitting Africa.

Africa is experiencing the worst drought since 1927, the Council pointed out, and food shortage is aggravated because the thousands of Europeans have taken over the best land, leaving millions of Africans with small, unfertile plots.

# You Said It

Progress in the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics toward alleviating war time food shortages and re-building devastated consumer industries brought the following comment from the United Press Moscow correspondent:

"The difference between the Soviet Union and other war-ravaged areas appears to be that Russia has the structural organization, the plans and the resources for eventual marked improvement in the standard of living."

"The hopes of the average citizen are bright and are justified by the slow but steady improvement which has already taken place since the war ended."

# British Women to Get More Wool Wear

LONDON, March 4 (UP).—Sir Stafford Cripps, president of the Board of Trade, announced today rationing of women's wool clothes would be reduced.

He indicated rationing of wool garments would be lifted altogether next summer.

# Australian Flood

SYDNEY, Australia, March 4 (UP).—At least six persons have drowned and several were missing today as flood waters ravaged northern Queensland.

# Indo-China Revolt Reported Widening

LONDON, March 4 (UP).—The Hanoi, French Indo-China, correspondent of the Sunday newspaper Observer reported "another large scale revolution with international implications" would break out shortly in the French colony.

Referring to recent reports of fighting between French and Annamese patriots around Saigon, the correspondent said it "is only preliminary skirmishing. The main battle is expected to begin when French troops make scheduled landings in northern French Indo-China late this month and attempt to re-establish colonial government."

A French woman lieutenant, one of 30 persons who last week petitioned for cessation of hostilities and recognition of the Indo-Chinese Republic of Viet Nam, was attacked by French paratroopers in Saigon and had her hair shaved off. Maj. Gen. Jacques-Philippe Leclerc imposed a 7 p. m. curfew on French service personnel following this incident, Associated Press reported.

# Java Premier Ready to Bargain; Warn of New War If Dutch Stall

BATAVIA, March 4 (UP).—Premier Sutan Sjahrir of the Indonesian Republic announced today he is ready to begin negotiations with the Dutch for independence.

Sjahrir said he is forming a new coalition cabinet with the full backing of the Indonesian National Committee. Composition of the cabinet probably will not be announced for several days but it is expected to contain representatives of at least six or seven parties.

Sjahrir said the Indonesian demand for 100 percent independence was actually "entirely a matter of phrasing," which gave the impression he would be satisfied with less than complete freedom from the Netherlands.

Meanwhile, Sjahrir's political adviser, Hadji Agus Salim, was quoted by radio Malang in East Java as saying that a holy war would be launched against the Dutch if negotiations broke down.

# Chungking May Free CP General

CHUNGKING, March 4 (UP).—Release of political prisoners, including Communist New Fourth Army Commander Gen. Yeh Ting, will start within a few days, usually reliable sources said today.

Yeh, imprisoned at Chungking since January, 1941, will be among the first Communist leaders to be released by the government under a Political Consultative Council agreement last Jan. 11, these sources said.

It was understood that Yeh's freedom was conditional upon Communist release of Gen. Ma Fa-Wu, commander of the Nationalist 11th war zone, and that Communist and government representatives agreed to the "trade" three days ago.

# Sees Man Thinking Himself to Death

CHICAGO, March 4 (UP).—Anthropologist Paul G. Dallwig said today that people ought to get smart and stop thinking so much.

"If they don't they will think themselves into extinction," he warned. Dallwig, a lecturer in anthropology at the Chicago Museum of Natural History, said the atomic bomb was only the beginning of the destruction man's brain power can produce.

"Our days will be numbered if we don't spend less time splitting atoms and more time trying to relax and enjoy life," he said.

# Leaves for Talks On U.S.-France Airport

WASHINGTON, March 4 (UP).—Chairman L. Welch Pogue of the Civil Aeronautics Board leaves tomorrow for Paris to aid Ambassador Jefferson Chaffery in negotiating an air pact with France which will expand U. S. airlines service in Europe.

# WHAT'S ON

RATES: What's On notices for the Daily and The Worker are 35c per line (6 words to a line—3 lines minimum).

DEADLINE: Daily at 12 Noon. For Sunday—Wednesday at 4 p.m.

### Tonight Manhattan

SKETCH CLASS: Life model: 7-10 p.m. at the Artist's League of America, Studio Workshop, 77 Fifth Ave.

### Tonight Bronx

JOSEPH STAROBIN will speak on "Why America Needs a Strong Communist Party" at regular membership meeting, Tuesday, March 5, at Highbridge Club, 1 E. 197 St. Bring your friends. 8:30 p.m. Chicago

ROCKWELL KENT and RUTH McKENNEY discuss "Who Will Control Our Culture—the People or Native American Fascists?" Hear also Dr. Hans Rosenwald, Frank Marshall Davis, Margaret Taylor Goas and Rudolph Welschborn, Congress Hotel, 550 S. Michigan, Saturday, March 10th at 8:30 p.m. Auspices: Abraham Lincoln School.

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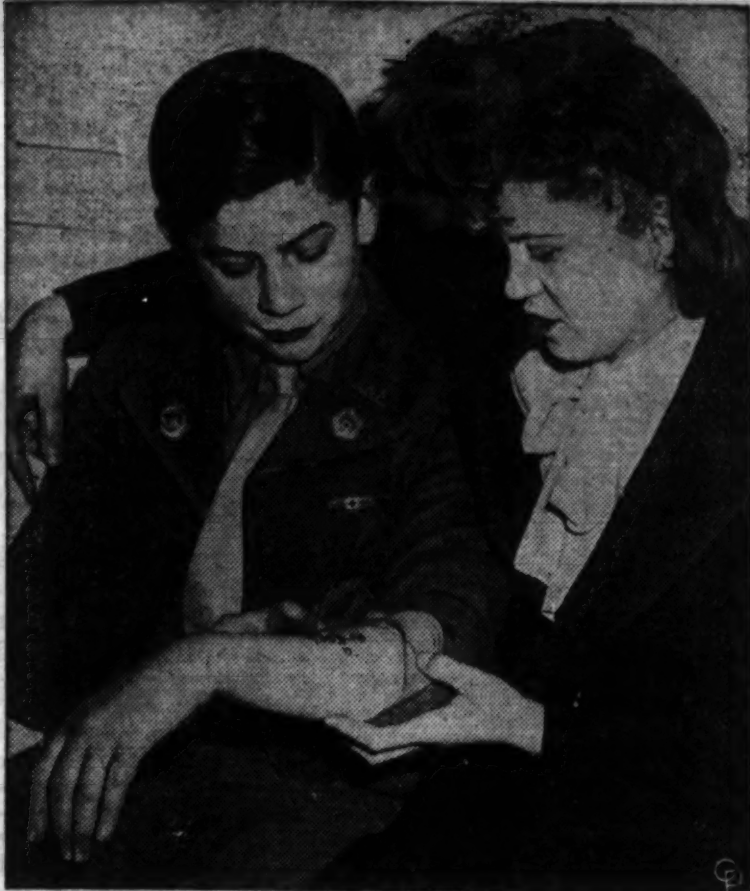
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**Nazi Victim:** Brutal Nazis in Dachau tattooed the prison number on the arm David Hoffman, 15, shows to his sister, Mrs. Sheldon Brenner of Chicago. David, who just arrived in New York, will live in the Windy City, a welcome change from the horror concentration camps of the past. His parents and four sisters and brothers were murdered by the Nazis.

## Vets Fought for Property Rights, Not for Homes—Detroit Realtor

By WILLIAM ALLAN

DETROIT, March 4.—We won't rent homes to veterans because "once you get these veterans into your house or apartment you can't get them out," Edward E. Benscoe, president of the Greater Detroit Property Owners, Inc., said this at Cass Tech high school on Feb. 20.

As spokesman for a minority group of Detroit landlords, he added:

"Property owners are striking to enjoy the right of private property which the veteran fought to protect when he was overseas."

William Marshall, CIO veterans' director, assailed Benscoe, declaring, "Veterans did not fight abroad to be locked out of homes back here in the United States. The real

truth of the matter is that this gang of housing profiteers wants to smash OPA price controls and boost rents sky high."

Marshall charged that the landlords felt they couldn't profiteer enough from the vets' meager mustering-out pay. He outlined a city-wide campaign to get living quarters for Detroit's thousands of homeless vets.

The American Youth for Democracy issued a city-wide leaflet protesting the property owners strike against the vets.

Three hundred air raid wardens volunteered to canvass every available house during the month of March for vacancies for ex-GIs.

## Foster Warns: Trusts Plot War

PHILADELPHIA, March 4.—William Z. Foster warned the biggest Communist rally held here since before the war that American monopolists were heading the country into another depression and a third World War.

Speaking before a full house of 3,600 at a Lenin Memorial meeting in The Met last Tuesday, Foster said:

"The American people will have something decisive to say before World War III gets under way."

He pointed out that there is a different kind of veteran coming back from this war. "They didn't destroy Hitler to come back and put destroy Hitler to come back and put a lot of would-be Hitlers into power," he said.

"It's high time," Foster said, "that the American people learn a few elementary lessons in politics. The threats to American democracy and

world peace grow out of the very nature of the capitalist system."

Calling for the greatest unity to elect progressives in the 1946 elections, and to win all the other immediate struggles of the people, Foster urged a mass campaign to build a powerful American Communist Party.

"Only Marxists can point the way out of the jungle of death and dissolution the capitalist system has brought. The capitalist system is historically doomed. The future of the world belongs to Socialism. The American people need a mass Communist Party."

Other speakers included Ben Davis, Jr., Phil Bart and David Davis, business agent of the CIO Electrical Workers, Local 155 and Communist National Committee member who was given \$150 for the support of the GE strikers anti-injunction fight.

## Milwaukee Rallies Hit Franco

MILWAUKEE, March 4.—Simultaneous demonstrations held here Saturday reflected public indignation at continued relations with Franco Spain and the lynch-terror sweeping Tennessee.

Lincoln Brigade vets and former GIs marched through crowds on busy Wisconsin Ave. demanding that the U. S. break with Franco. They distributed thousands of leaflets.

At the same time, the Milwaukee County CP held a rally to protest the lynch killings in Columbia, Tenn.

Negro and white veterans linked the Columbia lynch offensive with

the growing drive for war with the Soviet Union.

Copies of the Daily Worker and The Worker, giving eyewitness accounts of the Columbia killings were quickly sold out.

## After Deducting Political Expenses?

Tide Water Oil, heavily involved in the current government oil suit which cost Harold Ickes his job, and is giving President Truman and his friend Pauley a bad time, has just issued figures which show what's at stake. During the past year the company made a net haul of \$18,159,000.

## Rally to Hit Cop Strike Violence

More than 500 New York labor, veteran, religious, civic, fraternal, small business and other community organizations have been invited to a Citizens Emergency Conference at the Hotel McAlpin tomorrow evening (Wednesday) to protest police brutality and abrogation of civil liberties in strikes.

In calling the conference, Joseph Curran, president of the Greater New York CIO Council, and Julius Emspak, general secretary of the

United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, pointed to recent police clubbing of strikers on picket lines and police interference with peaceful assemblies. The General Electric plant in Philadelphia and the Westinghouse plant in Bloomfield, N. J., were cited.

New York community organizations were urged in the telegrams to attend the conference "to secure immediate and effective action to

defend and maintain our rights as citizens."

Prominent national labor and political leaders will address Wednesday night's emergency conference.

## Canada Cardinal Sees Pope Pius

VATICAN CITY, March 4 (UP).—Cardinal McGuigan of Toronto was received in private audience by Pope Pius XII today. The Pontiff also gave private audiences to Cardinal Gilroy of Australia and Cardinal Mindszenty of Hungary.

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## ROBINSON SNAPPY AT BAT IN FLORIDA

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spotted the caller and shouted back: "Hello, Daly. Good to see you." John Carey, in charge of the training routine, walked over, and Clyde Sukeforth introduced him to Robinson and Wright. "Make yourself right at home," he said, and then went on to inquire what shape both players were in and when they last worked out.

The trainer told Wright, who hasn't played ball since last year, to jog around the field and loosen up. Sukeforth took Robinson across the street to the smaller diamond which houses the automatic pitching machine.

Coach Paul Chervinko called the entire squad together for instructions and Jackie just stepped into line with the rest of them. The players were divided into two squads for batting practice—one crew to face the automatic pitcher and another to tee off against a live hurler in the other net.

### FREE AND EASY

Robinson and the players on line with him joked freely and joshed the men at bat as they went up for their cut. Most of the men on Robinson's line were Southerners. The tall blond kid who had waved to Robinson earlier in the morning turned out to be Bob Daly, an old chum of Jackie's from California. After driving a few into the outfield, Daly walked over and told us he knew Robinson from Glendale, where back in 1941 they both played for a National Youth Administration team.

"He was a good ball player even then," reminisced Daly. "One of the best base runners I've ever seen." And then the lanky outfielder added: "Of course, I never did see a better broken-field football runner than Robinson."

Asked how he felt about a Negro playing for the Montreal team, the friendly Californian answered in a matter-of-fact manner: "Goodness, it's okay with me. I lived with Robinson for three months, and he's one sweet guy."

The photographers took Robinson back to the big diamond for pictures and an informal press conference.

### NATURAL ZIP

While Jackie was posing for the lensmen, Wright was working loose and easy on the mound—tossing them in to a young catcher named Don Zaspel. The graceful Negro twirler, who last pitched for the Floyd Bennett naval team, seemed to have a lot of natural zip on the ball without even throwing hard. He tested a few hooks, watched them plunk beautifully into the catcher's mitt, and soon left the mound for fielding practice.

### LIKE LOUIS

Back at the diamond, Robinson was patiently answering questions tossed at him by the scribes. The well-set former UCLA grinner was very much at ease and responded to queries much in the same manner as Joe Louis.

Somebody asked Robinson how much he weighed, and Jackie replied: "I'm 195 now." The reporter seemed surprised, and said: "You don't look that heavy—where is it all?"

The shortstop smiled. "My legs—or my feet," and he stuck out his size 12 brogans.

But Robinson hopes to pare off to 180—his football weight. He's in excellent shape right now, having played three games a week during his six-week tour of Venezuela with a Negro All-Star team. Jackie has been playing a lot of golf since his return to the States, and shot a remarkable 80 his first time on the links.

When asked how he'd feel if he didn't make the Montreal team right off, and had to spend some time with a lesser farm team, Robinson answered quickly: "No, I won't be disappointed if it's decided I need some seasoning. I'm ready to play ball—wherever it is."

### CLOUTS DEEP DRIVES

Soon Jackie went back across the street to the batting practice diamond. Stepping up against a young, slim hurler who was feeding him slow balls, Robinson hit the first two pitches into the infield dust. But he adjusted himself to the slow stuff and sent the third pitch screaming into center field.

"Guess I just have to count three before hitting against this fella," Robinson chuckled, as he then tagged the next offering deep into left field. The players whistled softly at that clout. Jackie finished up with another blast just as deep, although more to the left. The ball barely missed hitting a fat cow grazing serenely in the outfield.

One of the players waiting for his turn at bat quipped: "You almost got yourself a quart of milk with that poke, Jackie."

### EAT TOGETHER

Across the street, Johnny Wright was easily tapping a few grounders to three other players. They were all kidding and having fun as most ball players do while working out. Wright is considered a better than fair hitting pitcher, but he confessed that he couldn't recall his last year's batting average. "Lefty Gomez is better at remembering those things than I am," he grinned.

At 12 o'clock the players knocked off for chow.

Wright, Jackie Robinson and the St. Paul first baseman, Paul Schoendienst, walked toward the clubhouse together for their sandwiches and milk.

And that's how this historic morning went. Smooth and easy. Just like democracy itself—when left to function freely!

## Lots of All-City's In NYU-CCNY Game

Leading candidates for All-Met college basketball honors have their final opportunity in the Garden, Thursday night, to impress the jury of court writers who annually name the all-city first and second fives.

New York University, which meets City College, has four outstanding eligibles—Sid Tanenbaum, Frank Mangiapane, Don Forman and Adolph Schayes. Tanenbaum was picked for the All-Met two straight years. He missed by one vote being an unanimous selection in 1944 in his freshman year. Runner up to Al Grenert in scoring last season with 302 points, Sid is pacing

the Violet marksmen this winter with 236 for 18 games and is generally rated the best all-around hardwood artist on the subway circuit.

City's nominees for All-Met are Captain Paul Schmones, Center Bob Scheer and Sonny Jameson. Schmones, smart playmaker and the Beavers' top scorer for the second straight campaign, was a first team choice in 1945, the only freshman to be thus honored.

St. John's, which meets St. Francis in Thursday's opener, is beating the drums for Harry Boykoff, Lennie Doctor and Ray Wertis. Boykoff was All-Met in 1943. Wertis, although this district's leading pointmaker last season with 316, was put on the second team.

## Query Wade on Plan To Punish Quinn's Foes

Superintendent of Schools John E. Wade was questioned by the CIO Teachers Union yesterday on rumors that he planned to punish teachers who originally charged May Quinn of un-Americanism.

Legislative representative, Mrs. Rose Russell, wired Wade:

"It is rumored that some of the teachers who made accusations against Miss Quinn are to be transferred from P. S. 227, Brooklyn, against their wishes."

Mrs. Russell pointed out that such transfers "would constitute a shameful punitive action, more severe than the penalty against Miss Quinn." She asked Wade for assurances that "no such step is contemplated" and requested a meeting with him sometime this week.

A call to the Board of Education brought the following answers from Howard A. Shiebler, secretary to Supt. Wade: "I have heard nothing to indicate this." However, union and parents organizations are now alert to the possibility of transfers and are awaiting Wade's reply. They regard such action as a threat to any teacher's right to "speak up."

The union, in its telegram to Wade, did not mention the teachers' names, but they are among the 14 who more than three years ago accused Miss Quinn and to whom she lost a libel suit last year. Miss Quinn lost her suit in a trial by jury but was exonerated by the Board of Education last week.

Meanwhile, parents and organization representatives yesterday continued to picket P. S. 220, where Miss Quinn is now teaching, in an effort to have her removed.

On yesterday's picket line were representatives of the Jewish War Veterans, American Veterans Committee, Vets and W. I. V. E. S., Lobell Memorial Ass'n., Communist Party, International Workers Order, the hospital local of the CIO State, County and Municipal Workers, American Labor Party and parents groups of P. S. 131 and 120. An emergency rally on the Quinn

Many workers with as much as 40 years of service are among the 2,000 strikers who have closed down the Mergenthaler Linotype Co., Brooklyn, in a fight for an 18½ cent wage increase, a closed shop and other benefits.

LeRoy Petty, 60, one of the 40-year men active on the picket line which went up Saturday is the father of five sons who saw war service. He sums up the struggle at Mergenthaler in the sentence: "We've got to protect the things they fought for."

### YOUNG FOLKS, TOO

Another 40-year man, Joseph Buchheit, started at Mergenthaler when he was 16. Father of five and seven times a grandfather, he is active on picket duty. He and Petty have been in four strikes in their time, all against Mergenthaler. "We'll win this one," he says grimly.

## Hotel Union Protests Tenn. Lynch Acts

In the name of 20,000 members, officers of Local 8, Hotel and Club Employees Union, AFL, yesterday wired protests to Tennessee authorities against the lynch terror invoked against the Negro community at Columbia, Tenn.

Michael J. Obermeyer, president; Martin Cody, secretary-treasurer, and Gertrude Lane, general organizer, signed the protest.

case will be held tonight (Tuesday) by the Parents Association of P. S. 131, 44th St. and Ft. Hamilton Parkway, Brooklyn.

## Old Folks, Young Folks, All Out On the Mergenthaler Picket Line

Not all the strikers are old-timers.

Pretty, dark-haired Ruth Zelle, a typist, is in her twenties. She's been at the plant for four years. Her brother, a veteran just discharged from service, applied at Mergenthaler for a job. "They offered him \$26 a week," she said indignantly. "We have to fight for higher wages. We won't settle for less than 18½ cents an hour, retroactive, even if it takes three months."

Arlene Dec, an attractive strawberry blonde with blue eyes, is fighting not only for herself but for her husband, a fellow unionist from Mergenthaler who was killed in action in Germany in Rhine crossing.

The company so far has made no wage offer. The strike is led by Local 475, CIO United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers.

### 11 A.M. TO NOON

- 11:00-WEAF-Fred Waring Show
- WOR-News Reports
- WJZ-Breakfast With Breneman
- WABC-Amanda, Sketch
- WMCA-News; Music
- WQXR-News; Alma Dettinger
- 11:15-WOR-Tello-Test Quiz
- WABC-Second Husband, Sketch
- 11:30-WEAF-Barry Cameron, Sketch
- WOR-Morning Matinee
- WJZ-Home Edition
- WABC-A Woman's Life, Play
- WMCA-News Reports
- WQXR-Stringtime
- 11:45-WEAF-David Harum
- WOR-Victor Lindahl, Talk
- WJZ-Ted Malone, Talk
- WABC-Aunt Jenny's Stories
- WMCA-This Woman's World

### NOON TO 2 P.M.

- 12:00-WEAF-John MacVane, News
- WOR-News; Hymns You Love
- WJZ-Glamour Manor
- WABC-News; Kate Smith's Chat
- WMCA-News; Recorded Music
- WQXR-News; Luncheon Music
- 12:15-WEAF-Maggi McNeill
- WABC-Big Sister
- 12:30-WEAF-Art Van Damme Quartet
- WOR-News; Answer Man
- WJZ-News; Woman's Exchange
- WABC-Helen Trent
- 12:45-WABC-Our Gal Sunday
- 1:00-WEAF-Mary Margaret McBride
- WOR-Musical Appetizer
- WJZ-H. R. Baukhage, News
- WABC-Life Can Be Beautiful
- WMCA-News; Recorded Music
- WQXR-News; Middy Symphony
- WLBB-Clifford Evans
- 1:15-WOR-Jack Bunsy's Album
- WJZ-Constance Bennett, Talk
- WABC-Ma Perkins
- WMCA-Inquiring Parent
- 1:30-WOR-Lopez Orchestra
- WJZ-Galen Drake
- WABC-Young Dr. Malone, Sketch
- WMCA-The Captain Tim Healy
- 1:45-WEAF-Morgan Beatty, News
- WOR-John J. Anthony
- WABC-Road to Life
- WMCA-Studio Orchestra
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### 2 P.M. TO 5 P.M.

- 2:00-WEAF-The Guiding Light
- WOR-Easy Aces, Sketch
- WJZ-John B. Kennedy, News
- WABC-Second Mrs. Burton
- WMCA-News; Recorded Music
- WQXR-News; Pop Concert
- 2:15-WEAF-Today's Children
- WOR-Monaghan, Record Man
- WJZ-Elmer and Albert, Sketch
- WABC-Perry Mason, Sketch
- 2:30-WEAF-Woman in White
- WOR-Queen for a Day
- WJZ-Bride and Groom
- WABC-Rosemary, Sketch
- WQXR-Request Music
- 2:45-WEAF-Masquerade, Sketch
- WABC-Tena and Tim, Sketch
- 3:00-WEAF-A Woman of America
- WOR-Martha Dean Program
- WJZ-Al Pearce Show
- WABC-You're in the Act
- WMCA-News; Music
- WQXR-News; Request Music
- 3:15-WEAF-Ma Perkins, Sketch
- WABC-This Is New York
- 3:30-WEAF-Pepper Young
- WOR-John Gambling, News
- WJZ-Ladies Be Seated
- WMCA-News; Music
- WQXR-What's on Your Mind?
- 3:45-WEAF-Right to Happiness
- WABC-Sing Along Club
- 4:00-WEAF-Backstage Wife
- WOR-Better Half, Quiz
- WJZ-Jack Berch Show
- WABC-House Party
- WMCA-News; Recorded Music
- WQXR-News; Symphonie Matinee

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- WHN-1650 Kc.
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- WNY-1480 Kc.
- WQXR-1360 Kc.
- 4:15-WEAF-Stella Dallas
- WJZ-The Fitzgeralds
- 4:35-WABC-News Reports
- 4:50-WEAF-WOR, WJZ, WABC, WNYC, WMCA, WHN, WNY-President Truman and Winston Churchill at Westminster College, Fulton, Mo.
- 5:00-WQXR-News; Music
- 5:15-WQXR-Books You Love Best
- 5:30-WEAF-Just Plain Bill
- WOR-Captain Midnight
- WJZ-Jack Armstrong, Sketch
- WABC-Olimarkon Tavern, Sketch
- WMCA-News; Jerry Baker, Songs
- WQXR-Coming Home
- 5:45-WEAF-Front Page Farrell
- WOR-Tom Mix
- WJZ-Tennessee Jed, Sketch
- WABC-Spartan and the Hawk
- WQXR-Man About Town-Sue Reed

### 6 P.M. TO 9 P.M.

- 6:00-WEAF-News; Concert Music
- WOR-Paul Schubert
- WJZ-News; Klernan's Corner
- WMCA-News; Talk
- WQXR-News; Quincy Howe
- WQXR-News; Music to Remember
- 6:15-WOR-Bob Elson, Interviews
- WJZ-Harold Morgan
- WABC-New Orleans Mardi Gras
- 6:25-WQXR-News; Dinner Concert
- WJZ-News; Sports Talk
- WABC-Evelyn Page, Soprano
- WMCA-Racing Results
- 6:30-WEAF-Big Gen. David Sarnoff, at dinner, Columbia, Ohio
- WOR-News; Fred Vandeventer
- 6:45-WOR-Shan Lomax, Sports
- WJZ-Cal Tinney
- WABC-The World Today; News
- 7:00-WEAF-Supper Club Variety
- WOR-Fulton Lewis Jr.
- WJZ-Headline Edition
- WABC-Jack Kirkwood Show
- WMCA-News; Recorded Music
- WQXR-News; Lisa Berge
- 7:15-WEAF-News of the World
- WOR-The Answer Man
- WJZ-Raymond Swing
- WABC-Jack Smith Show
- WMCA-Five Star Final
- WQXR-Operetta Scrapbook
- 7:30-WEAF-Barry Fitzgerald Show
- WOR-Arthur Hale
- WJZ-Boston Blackie, Play
- WABC-Concert Orchestra
- WMCA-Raymond Walsh
- WQXR-Spotlight Music
- 7:45-WOR-Bill Brandt, Sports
- WMCA-Dinah Shore Records
- WHN-J. Steel
- 8:00-WEAF-Johnny Descond, Margaret Whiting, Songs; Herb Shriner
- WOR-Nick Carter, Sketch
- WJZ-Lum n' Abner
- WABC-Big Town
- WMCA-News; Recorded Music
- WQXR-News; Symphony Hall
- 8:15-WJZ-Elmer Davis
- 8:30-WEAF-A Date With Judy, Comedy
- WJZ-Dark Venture, Play
- WABC-Theater of Romance
- 8:55-WABC-Bill Henry; News

### 9 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT

- 9:00-WEAF-Amos 'n' Andy
- WOR-Gabriel Heatter
- WJZ-Lombardo Orchestra
- WABC-Inner Sanctum, Play
- WMCA-News; Business Forum
- WQXR-World-Wide News Review
- 9:15-WOR-Real Life Stories

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Mrs. Minnie Ferguson, widow of the slain GI Charles Ferguson, and her three small children.

## Dramatic Pamphlet Tells Story of Freeport Case

When nine young Negroes were arrested late in March, 1931, and charged with raping two white girls, it was a routine event distinguished only by the number of those arrested.

Today it is history. The town of Scottsboro, Ala., is now known throughout the world—it has become a synonym for lynch frameups.

The Communist Party made this history. The Communist Party exposed the frameup and led the decade-long fight that freed the Scottsboro Boys.

Today the Scottsboro technique has moved north to New York. Two Negro brothers, one a soldier and the other a veteran, Pfc. Charles R. Ferguson and Alonzo Ferguson are dead, slain by a trigger-happy cop, Joseph Romeika, in Freeport, L. I. A third brother, Navy Seaman 3-c Joseph Ferguson was wounded. Richard Ferguson, fourth brother, was jailed and later released. The Freeport case is becoming notorious.

On-the-ball pamphlets keeping abreast of the issues helped bring

the Scottsboro fight to a victorious conclusion. The tradition of these pamphlets has been revived in the Freeport case.

The Daily Worker has issued a penny pamphlet on the case (*Dixie Comes to New York* by Harry Raymond). The pamphlet tells the story of the slaying, the whitewash of the cop and the protest movement that has sprung up. Raymond, whose news stories in the Daily Worker focussed attention on Freeport, has written the story simply and forcefully.

The pamphlet contains an introduction by Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, a cover drawing by Charles White and photos of the late Pfc. Ferguson and his wife and children who survive him.

Copies of the pamphlet can be obtained from the Daily Worker at one cent per copy.

## Thinking of Iran

(And Other Things)

The king rode forth with arrogance  
Jewelled in his raiment fine:  
Good hunting, crowned his majesty,  
In this good land of mine.

A hundred thousand laboring folk  
Put out restraining hand:  
Don't trample things, your majesty,  
Our crops are in the land.

Then screamed his wrathful majesty  
To all good men and true  
To stand for God and Royalty  
Against the lawless crew.

Good hanging, frothed his majesty,  
His fat jowls veined with wine:  
Good hanging of these rebel dogs  
In this good land of mine.

Then rose the irate laboring folk  
To build a guillotine:  
Good riddance, majesty, they cried,  
And sheared his power—clean!

—HENRY GEORGE WEISS.

# Heard But Not Seen, That's Kaufman, Filmdom's Violinist

By DAVID PLATT

Meet Louis Kaufman; America's most famous unseen musical character actor. He has more than 300 Hollywood films to his credit, but he never appears on-stage and his name is never mentioned on the screen. Kaufman, you see, is the backstage violinist who

sets the mood for a scene. It was his instrument that provided the proper setting for the murder in *Mildred Pierce*, the love scenes in *Wuthering Heights*, the approach of the enemy in *Wake Island*, the heart-attack in *The Little Foxes*, the terror sequences in *Suspicion*, etc. No violinist—living or dead—has ever played to such a vast audience. At least 40,000,000 moviegoers listen to him every week.

When Kaufman is not working in pictures he is giving concerts from coast-to-coast. Recognized as one of the nation's finest violinists, he is also noted for championing the Americana theme in music. You will have a chance to hear him perform a new group of American works by Gardner Read, Robert McBride, William Grant Still and Aaron Copland at Town Hall, Friday evening, March 15.

### A TRIP UPTOWN

We went up to see Kaufman at his apartment on E. 57 St. a few days ago. He and his charming wife Annette, who is his piano accompanist, spoke fervently of the growing maturity of American music and music appreciation.

The violinist contrasted the healthy, forward-looking music coming out of America and the Soviet Union with the distorted works produced in Germany after



LOUIS KAUFMAN

World War I. "Pre-Hitler German music represented a hysterical and misanthropic attitude to life," Kaufman said. "Anything but a people's music, it reflected the moods and tensions of the rising fascist ideology."

The average American audience would reject such violent, unfriendly music today, the violinist emphasized. Kaufman feels that the radio and recordings have done much to raise musical standards throughout the country. "You cannot fool the audience today," he said. "They know when something is wrong. They instinctively turn their backs on very extremely experimental or abstract types of music."

He added: "I play for audiences. When my listeners do not respond, I know there is something wrong with my program. The people are way ahead of the critics and the professors of music."

### INSPIRED VIOLIN WORKS

No one has done more than Louis Kaufman to popularize the best works of the younger American and Russian composers. His interest in furthering American music has inspired a number of solid works for the violin written especially for him. Some time ago he heard Aaron Copland's music for the ballet *Rodeo*. He convinced Copland that it would make a "wonderful fiddle piece." The composer was delighted to arrange it for violin. That's how *Hoe Down* was born. Kaufman will give it its premiere performance on March 15.

Kaufman cited Aram Khachaturian's *Concerto*, which he will play at Town Hall, as an outstanding example of music that speaks directly to the people and is deeply understood by the people. This work by the noted Soviet composer has "a wonderful spirit of optimism," he said. "When I performed

it a few months ago the audience was thrilled by it." Kaufman intends to see the Soviet film *Girl No. 217*, again when it returns to the Irving Place Theatre on Thursday, for the brilliant score by Khachaturian.

### THE ATOMIC AGE

Kaufman's program's are recognized as about the best of any violinist in the country. He has no use for performers who end their concerts with the music of the 19th century. "We are entering the atomic age. Programs should reflect this change. The people are pretty weary of concerts that do not include the best music of our own time. They want music that they can really enjoy. Symphony concerts are beginning to have a greater variety of good music. The Boston's 'Pop' Symphony concerts for example.

Kaufman sees in the dying out of the solemn and semi-religious atmosphere that prevailed in concert halls for so many years, a sign that American music creation and appreciation has come of age. "We have something in our music that is representative of what is in the air today—music that springs from the people—music that seems as real and as vital as clear, cold fresh water."

His concert at Town Hall, on March 15 will dramatize this new musical spirit that has taken America by storm.

## LaGuardia Sponsors Stage for Action Concert March 31

Former Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia has added his name to the committee of prominent press and radio commentators, theatre people and community leaders which is sponsoring Theatre Parade, the variety concert which Stage for Action is presenting at Carnegie Hall on Sunday evening, March 31.

Other notables who are supporting Stage for Action's public debut as a permanent theatre membership organization include Frank Kingdon, Johannes Steel, Lisa Sergio, Garson Kanin, John McManus, Dame May Whitty and Lee Sabinson.

During the war, the organization aided the war effort with its short, living newspaper-type plays that dramatized the need for war bond purchases, blood donations and other vital war measures. More than half a million people saw these plays, which were the product of volunteer writers, directors, actors, musicians and other theatre craftsmen. The Carnegie Hall show, which will present stars of radio, stage, screen and the night clubs, will feature a cavalcade of scenes from many of these plays as the background against which Stage for Action's ambitious plans to expand its mobile theatre service will be announced.



Massie Patterson will perform a group of Negro dances at the Harlem People's Art Group (IWO Lodge 691) concert at Elks Auditorium, 169 W. 129 St., next Sunday, March 10, 8:30 p.m. Other performers include Avon Long, Ismay Andrews and her Swahili Dancers, Eugenia Holmes, African songs and dances, and the Trinidad Trivialites. Abbie Mitchell will be Mistress of Ceremonies. Proceeds will aid the IWO Fraternal Center Building Fund.

### "GO AND SEE IT!" —WALTER WINCHELL

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# Columbia Looks Like Freeport -- In Eyes of Law

By HARRY RAYMOND

COLUMBIA, Tenn., March 4.—The official attitude toward last week's armed invasion of the Negro community here, resulting in the slaying of two and wounding of nine Negroes, today was very much the same as that exhibited by Freeport, N. Y., officials toward the police killing of a Negro GI and his brother there last month.

This attitude was best expressed by Columbia's Mayor Eldredge Denham. His solution of the mob violence which rocked this polltax center for several days, was to call on the 12,000 citizens to go back to "normal" and "forget it."

That's what Mayor Cyril Ryan and Police Chief Peter Elar advised in "liberal" northern Freeport.

## STATUS QUO—JIMCROW

But to return status quo in Freeport or here in Columbia would be to sow seeds of similar future bloody events. Status quo means Jimcrow.

And it was Jimcrow that led the armed men into the Negro community in Columbia. It was Jimcrow that pulled the trigger in Freeport. It should be easier, however, to put down Jimcrow in Freeport. It's not supposed to exist there under law. But here the trouble maker has an official seat in government.

Jimcrow sits in the courts of justice in Columbia. He is educator and jailer. He is, indeed, the architect who designed the town's buildings—its county courthouse, its railroad station; he installed the Negro drinking fountains, the white drinking fountains. He carved in stone the words "Colored" and "White" over the portals of railroad waiting rooms.

## GUARD WITHDRAWN

And when Mayor Denham asks citizens to return to "normal" and "forget it," he becomes Jimcrow's defense attorney.

The first step in the official return to "normal" here was withdrawal today of the last of 1,000 State Guard troops. They had been patrolling the town since a mob, augmented by State Highway patrolmen and police, rampaged through the Negro quarter with death-spitting firearms.

The military withdrawal began yesterday as the first clouds of damp Tennessee earth fell with hollow thuds on the coffins of William F. Gordon and James Johnson, Negroes, who were shot to death last Thursday while being grilled in the sheriff's office.

## KILLERS NOT NAMED

Both funerals were attended by large, silent crowds of friends of the dead men. No one is being held in these killings. In fact, identity of the killer or killers has not been made public.

But Sheriff J. J. Underwood is holding an undisclosed number of Negroes in the county jail in connection with the wounding of Chief of Police J. W. Griffith and five other policemen.

The policemen are alleged to have been fired on by Negroes who barricaded themselves when threatened by a violent armed mob.

Sheriff Underwood challenged a habeas corpus petition filed by NAACP Attorney Maurice Weaver demanding release of 34 Negroes allegedly held incommunicado. He said no Negroes whose bonds have not been set are now in jail. The number held, he claimed, is considerably less than the 34 named.

## MRS. STEPHENSON OUT

It was announced Mrs. Gladys Stephenson and her son, James, a war veteran, arrested after she was slapped by a white radio repairman, were released on bond to answer charges in the next county court term. The veteran is charged with pushing the white man, who fell through a plate glass window.

Ira H. Latimer, executive director of the Chicago Civil Liberties Committee; Samuel Neuberger and Rev. Joseph Moore, both representing the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties, conferred with local officials yesterday. They said they wanted "to get to the bottom of things."

Negroes having business in the stricken community are still permitted to come and go only with passes issued by local police.

# N. Y. Legislature Enters Critical Week of Session

Special to the Daily Worker

ALBANY, March 4.—With only three scheduled weeks left to the current session, the Legislature tonight moved into one of its heaviest weeks thus far. No more bills can be introduced in the Assembly after Thursday except with the consent of the Rules Committee.

New York City's financial problem still holds the spotlight, though action is also expected on labor's fight for a 65c minimum wage and for elimination of jobless pay penalties for strikers.

Democratic Assembly Leader Irwin Steingut said tonight Mayor O'Dwyer's program of special taxes for the city would probably not be introduced this week.

The Democrats will make a final effort to get more funds for the cities.

Although the Isacson-Fino bill

eliminating the seven-week waiting period in unemployment insurance to strikers was killed in the Assembly Labor Committee last week, it is still alive in the Senate.

Other measures expected this week are:

- 1) Resolutions to amend the Constitution to permit payment of a bonus ranging from \$50 to \$250, depending on length and kind of service. Payment cannot be made until 1948 if the Constitution has to be amended. Isacson has insisted a Constitutional amendment is unnecessary and the amounts proposed are inadequate.
- 2) State rent control legislation.

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**Search for Crash Victims:** Searchers in the first rescue party to reach the scene of an American Airlines liner crash into a mountain 62 miles east of San Diego dig through the wreckage for bodies of the 23 passengers, which included two young babies, and four crew members who were all killed.

# 15 Anti-British Egyptians Killed

CAIRO, March 4 (UP).—Seventeen persons were killed, including two British soldiers, and 301 were wounded in Alexandria, it was announced tonight.

Fifteen of the dead and 299 of the wounded are Egyptians shot by troops suppressing the demonstrations, an official communique said. Reports from Alexandria said fighting continued tonight in the workers' quarters, with troops firing into all gatherings.

# Nation's Phones Scheduled to Go Silent Thursday

A national telephone strike will begin Thursday morning as scheduled, officials of the National Federation of Telephone Workers said yesterday after collapse of negotiations with the American Telephone and Telegraph Co.

Federal Conciliator Peter J. Man- no, said he would report to his superiors at Washington that the situation was "badly deadlocked" and that the next move was "up to them."

John J. Moran, president of the Federation of Long Lines Telephone Workers, said the strike would be-

gin at 6 a. m. Thursday.

He said the company's last wage offer was seven-tenths of 1 percent above their 14.3 cents an hour offer. The union demands 18½ cents.

Moran added that no further date had been set for continuation of negotiations but that the union would meet with Secretary of Labor Schwelbach if requested.

# Senate Labor Body Won't Back Case Bill

WASHINGTON, March 4 (UP).—

The Senate Labor Committee refused today to approve the House's Case Anti-Strike bill which would set strict penalties against unions for contract violations and picket line violence.

Chairman James E. Murray (D-Mont) said he offered to send the House-approved bill to the floor without committee amendments as an answer to charges that the committee is "pocketing" labor legislation.

He said however, that members expressed sentiment against enacting "drastic" legislation which

would "penalize or straitjacket labor."

Murray said some sentiment was expressed for restricting strikes in public utilities and preventing secondary boycotts.

Murray said he would appoint a special subcommittee to study proposed legislation.

## A Date With Disaster

PHILADELPHIA, March 4 (UP).—The 31-year-old battleship New York left the Philadelphia Naval Base today on what may be her last mission—the atomic bomb tests in the Pacific.

# All Creeds Unite for Union Sq. Rally

JEWISH RABBI, NEGRO PASTOR TO HIT TERROR

Thousands of New Yorkers will hear Rev. Ben. Richardson, associate editor of the Protestant, and Rabbi Max Felsin, Rabbi of the Radio City Synagogue and Kennett Leslie, prominent Protestant liberal at the forthcoming Union Square mass protest Communist rally.

The rally will protest the murder of two Negro GIs in Freeport and the violence against the entire Negro community at Columbia, Tenn.

"It would be a grave violation of the Commandment 'Thou Shalt Not Stand Idly by the Blood of Thy Brother,'" Rabbi Felsin told the Daily Worker, "If we should sit still and not protest against the wanton shedding of the innocent blood of our colored fellow-Americans by Tennessee State

troopers."

Rev. Ben Richardson, associate editor of the Protestant said the Freeport slayings are "the workings of unmitigated fascism."

"In the name of the Protestant and its more than 6,000 ordained Christian clergymen committed to a relentless fight against fascism, I welcome the opportunity to speak out against the wanton murder of two Negro GIs in Freeport, L. I., by Patrolman Romeika and to score the vicious collaboration of the Mayor, District Attorney, Grand Jury and other officials of Freeport in denying justice to the families of the victims.

"Freeport is the symbol of the struggle of the workers against an exploiting capitalism. I see in the

Freeport butchering the implications of Dachau, Indonesia, Palestine, China, Greece and South Africa."

Kenneth Leslie, editor of The Protestant stated:

"Police brutality in the South is bad enough. When it moves north, it means a reversal of the decision of the Civil War. The Protestant has long contended that when anti-Negro or anti-Semitic brutality invades the civil and judicial arms of the community, it is time to sound the alarm."

Other plans indicated that thousands at this huge Communist rally will demand in the words of Communist Party Chairman William Z. Foster: "Halt the Lynch Terror Against the Negro People!"

# Delegation to Dewey Will Ask Freeport Probe

A mass delegation Friday will demand of Governor Dewey, that he start a special investigation of the killings of the Ferguson brothers in Freeport, L. I.

The delegation will be sponsored by the N. Y. Committee for Justice in Freeport.

Dorothy Langston, executive secretary, called upon all organizations interested in seeing justice done in this case to join in the delegation.

The committee may be reached at Room 204, 112 E. 19 St. (ST 9-4552).

It was formed by a conference of 400 persons representing 89 organizations here two weeks ago, convoked to protest the whitewash of Patrolman Joseph Romeika in the slaying of two Negroes and the wounding of a third at Freeport Feb. 5.

The delegation will leave from Grand Central station at 8 a.m.